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EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
EASTERN DIVISION

JEANNIE K. MAY,)
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 Plaintiff,)
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 v.) No. 4:14-CV-578-TCM
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 NATIONSTAR MORTGAGE, LLC,)
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 Defendant.)

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UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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1 (The following proceedings were held within the hearing
2 and presence of the Jury.)

3 THE COURT: Okay. Morning, ladies and gentlemen.
4 Thanks for being on time. You probably didn't know how to get
5 here without the rain. It's the first day of -- yes, ma'am.
6 Oh, thank you. Got it.

7 We're going to start with -- continue the Plaintiff's
8 examination of the witness. Before I do that, I've been asked
9 to read this stipulation. The stipulation simply means that
10 both sides agree to this, whatever I'm going to read to you.

11 The parties -- Plaintiff Jeannie K. May and Defendant
12 Nationstar Mortgage, LLC -- hereby stipulate to the following:
13 That the notice of the trustee sale attached hereto as
14 Exhibit A was published in *The Countian* for 17 days from
15 February 4, 2014 for February 20, 2014.

16 All right. That being said, I think the witness
17 is -- Mr. Loll, do you want to step forward and be sworn in.
18 I take the position that oaths are only good for 24 hours. So
19 you have to be sworn in the second day.

20 (Witness sworn.)

21 THE COURT: You may begin, Mr. Humphreys. Thank you.

22 MR. HUMPHREYS: Thank you, Your Honor.

23 **ANDREW J. LOLL,**

24 HAVING BEEN FIRST DULY SWORN, WAS EXAMINED AND TESTIFIED AS
25 FOLLOWS:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

(continued from 11/17/2015)

BY MR. HUMPHREYS:

Q Good morning, sir.

A Good morning.

Q The nature of Nationstar's business is that there are times when the company has to take someone's home; is that true?

A Excuse me. Has to take on -- repeat the question again.

Q Sure. The nature of your business at Nationstar is that there are times when you have to take somebody's home?

A That's correct.

Q And do you -- you recognize the gravity of that situation, right?

A Absolutely.

Q And how important it is to get the process right?

A Totally agree.

Q And you know what happens to people or what can happen to somebody whose home is taken from them. Even if it's under the best of circumstances, it can tear families apart.

A I understand.

Q People can become homeless?

A I understand.

Q Knowing all those things, do -- do the -- the front-line operators at Nationstar, are they trained, given any type of

1 sensitivity analysis, if you will, or sensitivity training to
2 make them understand the gravity and the seriousness of what's
3 happening?

4 A Absolutely. Every day.

5 Q Okay. And Nationstar has -- that's a lot of power, isn't
6 it, to be able to file a piece of paper with the court or with
7 the Clerk of the Court and, by virtue of filing a piece of
8 paper, you can get an order and have the sheriff come to their
9 home and make them leave?

10 The people leave their house and take legal title to
11 their home; is that right?

12 A That's correct.

13 Q And with that power to take property from homeowners
14 comes a lot of responsibility, right?

15 A Absolutely.

16 Q You have to be absolutely sure each time that you're
17 right; is that true?

18 A Not necessarily. You -- the -- when the process is
19 completed, it's got to be right. There's safe -- there's safe
20 walls between the filing of foreclosure until the actual sale
21 date that there's opportunities to reconcile errors, address
22 errors, and let courts intervene.

23 But, end of the day, the courts need to get it right. We
24 need to get it right. I would never want a customer to lose
25 their home on our errors alone.

1 Q Do you not feel, sir, that taking that attitude is
2 shifting the burden of your responsibility to get it right
3 onto other folks, like the courts and homeowners?

4 A No. I hold us 100 percent responsible to get it right,
5 but there is other safeguards if we make a mistake, but I hold
6 our company accountable first.

7 Q Okay. Isn't that what happened here, though? You
8 shifted the burden to Ms. May to fix your errors?

9 A I don't think we shifted the burden. She exercised her
10 rights that she was entitled to. Assisted with today's
11 litigation, she still is retained in her home. She hasn't
12 lost it. And we recognized our error and addressed it.

13 Q Do you feel like you disregarded your obligations at
14 Nationstar to not collect on people who are current?

15 A I'm not proud of what I saw in her -- in testimony.

16 Q Okay.

17 A And I wouldn't want that to happen to any other customer.

18 Q Now, putting your pride aside, sir, do you believe, as
19 the representative for Nationstar here, that your company
20 lived up to its high responsibility with regard to the way it
21 treated my client?

22 A We did not.

23 Q And did you disregard your obligations to get it right
24 here?

25 A We didn't get it right. And if "disregard" is the word

1 you want to use -- efforts were made and good intentions by
2 good people that made mistakes, but we got it wrong.

3 Q But you're telling us here that you did your best --

4 A No.

5 Q -- at Nationstar?

6 A They had good intentions. I have a -- I hold a higher
7 standard for a company. The best wasn't presented in this
8 particular case to Jeannie May. That's not the best of
9 Nationstar.

10 Q Using your logic here, is it okay to have good intentions
11 and close your eyes and run through -- in a car and drive
12 through an intersection filled with people but then say,
13 "Well, I had the best of intentions"? Is that good enough?

14 A Good intentions is never enough. It's what's your
15 execution. That's what really matters.

16 Q Isn't it -- yeah, you've heard the saying, I think, about
17 the -- a certain road?

18 A Pardon me?

19 Q The road to hell is paved with good intentions.

20 A Yes.

21 Q It's really actions. They speak louder than intentions,
22 don't they?

23 A That's correct.

24 Q So let's get through the stuff we have to get through to
25 give this case to the Jury here. I'll do it as quick as I

1 can.

2 Have you had a chance to look at the exhibits we're going
3 to use with you today, the ones we gave to your lawyers last
4 night?

5 A I looked at quite a few exhibits last night. I don't
6 know specifically.

7 THE COURT: Hold on for a second, Mr. Loll.

8 MR. TILLOTSON: Your Honor, to prepare him, so we
9 could move faster through them, we gave him a list. We have
10 those available, but I didn't stack them for him, though.

11 THE COURT: Actually, I directed you to do that, did
12 I not?

13 MR. TILLOTSON: Correct, Your Honor.

14 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) I'm not suggesting -- and I apologize
15 if there's any inference here. There's nothing wrong with it.
16 I want to get through this with you.

17 And my question is: Did you have a chance to look at
18 the records we're going to look at today so you don't have to
19 sit here and read them today?

20 A I looked at records. I don't know if I've reconciled to
21 what the Court expected me to look at.

22 Q Okay. Okay. Let's get started.

23 THE COURT: To be fair, you know, he doesn't know
24 exactly what you're going to show him.

25 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) Okay. You didn't see my email. So

1 you don't know what I'm going to use, I suppose, is what
2 you're saying?

3 A I understand. I'll do the best I can --

4 Q Okay.

5 A -- with whatever you show me.

6 Q Okay. There you go.

7 Yesterday, we looked at Exhibit 41. I'm going to --

8 MR. HUMPHREYS: May I approach and hand the
9 witness --

10 THE COURT: Yes.

11 MR. HUMPHREYS: Just for the interest of time, Your
12 Honor, is it all right if I just do that?

13 THE COURT: Absolutely. You don't have to ask.

14 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) So you have before you Exhibit 41. We
15 went through this yesterday. This is Nationstar's response to
16 a qualified -- or to a letter that my client sent. And is it
17 true that the folks who responded to this letter have a higher
18 level of experience and training at Nationstar?

19 A Yes, they have more advanced training as it relates to
20 researching areas of concern and problems.

21 Q Okay. Is there any minimum expectations in terms of what
22 kind of length of service they have to have at Nationstar or
23 how much time on the job they have to have?

24 A It's not necessarily the length of time at Nationstar
25 because they could come from other companies and be familiar

1 with the mortgage-type records, but we expect our people to be
2 competent to handle this area. It's an important area of
3 Nationstar in our servicing.

4 Q Okay. But, in any event, these are the folks that have
5 a -- these are -- the most seasoned people you have are
6 populating this qualified written request department?

7 A I wouldn't use the word "seasoned." I'm seasoned. I
8 have 15 years with the company. I don't work in research. I
9 work in litigation support. Their seasoning doesn't really
10 have anything to do with it. It's their knowledge of do they
11 understand what the customer is looking for and do they know
12 where to find the information and deliver it to the customer
13 within a timely manner.

14 Q Okay. And, to your knowledge, were all the procedures at
15 Nationstar followed by Marlene Amaya when she wrote this
16 letter?

17 I'll withdraw the question in the interest of time.
18 Let's move forward. Let me hand you Exhibit 42.

19 Now Exhibit 41, we just looked at that, was signed by
20 Marlene Amaya; is that true?

21 A Sir, you're confusing me. There's no question on the
22 table for Exhibit 41?

23 Q I just want to confirm before we move forward that the
24 exhibit we last looked at, 41, is signed by a Marlene Amaya,
25 who says she's a customer relations specialist at Nationstar.

1 Is that true?

2 A That's true.

3 Q All right. And Exhibit 42 is an email from Ms. Amaya; is
4 that right?

5 A It's an email from Elizabeth Brown to Marlene Amaya.

6 Q Okay. Let's look at the bottom of it -- I apologize for
7 not being more clear here -- down by the exhibit sticker.

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q Is that an email from Marlene Amaya to the bankruptcy
10 department at Nationstar?

11 A I believe it is. I believe Elizabeth Brown and Crystal
12 Lebrede work in the bankruptcy area.

13 Q Okay. All right. Well, and this is August 30th, 2013,
14 right, is the email from Marlene Amaya?

15 A Yes, August 30, 2013.

16 Q Okay. And she's reaching out to the bankruptcy
17 department four days before she sends this letter to Ms. May,
18 right?

19 A Yes.

20 Q So the bankruptcy department is well aware of this issue
21 in August of -- and September time period of 2013; is that
22 true?

23 A Let me just catch up to you. Just so I follow your --
24 your questioning, 8-30-2013, the email goes from Marlene Amaya
25 to the bankruptcy group. The response goes back out about

1 four days later on September 3rd. So your question as it
2 relates to the communications from Marlene Amaya is: That's
3 letting your bankruptcy people know what the issues are,
4 correct, and that assisted in the response on September the
5 3rd?

6 Q Mm-hmm.

7 A Is that my understanding of --

8 Q In fact -- yeah, the bankruptcy department is giving
9 suggested edits to the QWR people in -- in this September 3rd,
10 2013, email, the top of Exhibit 42; isn't that true?

11 A It's -- I'm reading it as: I have requested that the
12 borrower Jeannie May, loan number, wanted Nationstar to
13 validate the debt. Can the following documents be confirmed
14 and sufficient to send?

15 And that goes to the May QWR TILA resolution letter in
16 the document file.

17 Q Okay. Would this have been an opportunity for the
18 bankruptcy department to figure out that Mr. Muller's
19 suggestion to fix this account had been denied by cash?

20 A In my opinion, yes.

21 Q Let's take a look at Exhibit 47. We looked at this
22 letter, I think, yesterday briefly.

23 Is that a December 19th, 2013, letter from Bob Healey to
24 Nationstar or -- excuse me -- to your lawyers?

25 A It is.

1 Q Okay. And you've -- you know that this letter was
2 actually received by Nationstar, right? Nationstar was given
3 this letter? Or do you?

4 A Well, I'm pretty sure we have that. It looked like it
5 was presented by -- oh, excuse me. It was submitted by
6 Nationstar. That's correct.

7 Q Okay. And is there enough information in this letter
8 that somebody at Nationstar could have looked into this
9 account and determined that there was a serious problem at
10 Nationstar?

11 A I'm sorry. Repeat your question again. I think I
12 understand it, but I want to make sure.

13 Q Without getting into granular detail about every word and
14 every sentence in that letter, is it fair to say there's
15 enough information in that letter that was sent over to
16 Nationstar from Mr. Healey that should have triggered further
17 investigation to get to the bottom of Nationstar's error here?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Let's go to Exhibit 48.

20 Is this letter here the response of December 30th to
21 Mr. Healey's letter from Nationstar's lawyers Martin, Leigh,
22 Laws & Fritzlen?

23 A Yes, it is.

24 Q And they sent over a payment history, is what their
25 response was, and some other information that's listed in the

1 first paragraph of the letter?

2 A That's correct.

3 Q And that payment history that they're talking about there
4 contains the same false information Ms. May has been
5 complaining about since she found out about it in March of the
6 same year, right?

7 A That's correct.

8 Q And so let me hand you 49.

9 Is that a letter from Mr. Healey to Nationstar's lawyers
10 dated January 14th, 2014?

11 I'm sorry. Do you have enough --

12 A I read it. If you could repeat your question.

13 Q Okay. Yeah. Is this the response from Nationstar's
14 lawyers -- I'm sorry. Is this January 14th letter a follow-up
15 by Mr. Healey to -- to Nationstar's lawyers here, asking
16 them -- giving them more information?

17 A I would interpret that to be a correct assessment.

18 Q Okay. He says that none of the issues, questions, or
19 concerned raised in his original letter were answered, right?

20 A That's -- that's what the letter says.

21 Q No explanation was given why Nationstar has the right to
22 do what it was doing?

23 A That's correct.

24 Q So would you expect Nationstar's lawyers to respond to a
25 letter of this seriousness, this type of importance?

1 A I would have expected the letter be escalated within our
2 company for further review.

3 Q And let me -- or have handed to you Plaintiff
4 Exhibit No. 50. That's about a week later, right? January
5 21, 2014, Nationstar's lawyers respond to Mr. Healey -- or let
6 me strike that.

7 Is what you have before you there, Exhibit 50, a
8 January 21st, 2014, letter from Nationstar's lawyers to Bob
9 Healey?

10 A It is.

11 Q And are you aware of any other response to Mr. Healey's
12 January 14th, 2014, letter other than what we see here in
13 Exhibit 50?

14 A I would have to review the communication logs.

15 Q So you're not aware of one that you can tell us about off
16 the top of your head?

17 A Not off the top of my head --

18 Q Okay.

19 A -- without reviewing our communications log. We've
20 responded.

21 Q All right. Well, if you find one, let us know when it's
22 your turn -- when your lawyer gets a chance to ask you
23 questions --

24 A I understand.

25 Q -- because I didn't see one.

1 But this, what we're seeing here, Exhibit 50, this letter
2 here, isn't responding in any way to this request for more
3 information and an explanation as to why Nationstar has this
4 right to foreclose; is that true?

5 A No. I think what's happened is we've responded back with
6 the records that we have that show the amount that's
7 identified that caused the default and also shows what the
8 increase in payments were, but the root cause of the issue was
9 she was challenging that she was in default on that
10 transaction.

11 Q On January 14th, Mr. Healey writes this Exhibit 49.

12 And is it fair to say the response is notice of sale?
13 This is giving Ms. May notice through her -- to her attorney
14 that this law firm is going to put up Ms. May's home for sale
15 at the court building here in St. Louis at public auction to
16 the highest bidder for cash -- her home, right?

17 A Yes, sir.

18 Q And this notice of sale, we just agreed, was also put in
19 the -- in a newspaper, right?

20 A That's my understanding.

21 Q And published -- what -- every day for 18 days?

22 A I believe it's approximately 18 days.

23 THE COURT: Actually, 17 days is what the stipulation
24 says.

25 MR. HUMPHREYS: 17 days. Thank you, Your Honor.

1 17 days.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: That's correct.

3 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) And every one of those publications
4 said that Ms. May didn't pay her bills, didn't pay on her
5 home.

6 And her home was going to be sold because of that,
7 right?

8 A I'm sorry. Repeat that question because the posting is
9 very specific in how it's posted.

10 Q Okay.

11 A I could give you testimony as to what the posting says.

12 Q It says -- yeah, there's no -- it says that she didn't
13 pay her bills essentially, that she defaulted on her
14 obligations to Nationstar, right?

15 A Before I answer that question, I would like to see how
16 it's posted.

17 Q Okay.

18 A Because you're asking me what it's saying, and I would
19 like to tell you exactly what it says when it's in the paper.

20 MR. HUMPHREYS: Your Honor, I don't have an extra
21 copy of that, the document you read this morning. I think
22 it's attached to the stipulation.

23 THE COURT: Oh, I'm sorry. It is. Do you want to --

24 MR. HUMPHREYS: May I examine it?

25 THE COURT: Yeah. Let me make sure we got this. I'm

1 going to read it.

2 MR. HUMPHREYS: Yes, Your Honor.

3 THE COURT: "Trustee sale in re Jeannie May, single
4 person. A trustee sale for default under the terms" --

5 Do you have any objection to this? I assume you
6 don't.

7 MR. TILLOTSON: No, Your Honor, I don't. They can
8 show it on the screen, or Your Honor can read it.

9 THE COURT: Yeah, I'll read it so we can move this
10 along.

11 "Trustee sale for defendant under the terms of Deed
12 of Trust executed by Jeannie May, a single person, dated
13 March 30, 2007, recorded on April 4, 2007, as
14 Document No. 1044, in Book 17505, page 673, Office of Recorder
15 of Deeds, St. Louis County, Missouri. The undersigned
16 successor trustee will, on Monday, February 24th, 2014, at
17 10:00 a.m., at the north front door of the St. Louis County
18 Government Center Court Building, First Floor, Plaza Level,
19 7900 Carondelet Avenue, in Clayton, Missouri, sell at a public
20 venue to the highest bidder for cash Lot 17, in Block 3 of
21 Pagewood Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, recorded
22 in Plat Book 21, pages 46 and 47, of the St. Louis County,
23 Missouri records to satisfy said debt and costs. Martin,
24 Leigh, Laws & Fritzlen, PC, successor trustee. Richard L.
25 Martin, Vice President." There's a phone number and an email

1 address and then simply the information about the law firm.

2 "As successor trustee is attempting to collect a
3 debt, and any information obtained will be used for that
4 purpose." And, again, it's the date of February 4, 2014.

5 MR. HUMPHREYS: Thank you, Your Honor.

6 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) Let's move along here. Let me hand
7 you a copies of Exhibit 5 and 43, and I think -- I think we
8 may have covered this in either your deposition or live
9 testimony. I just want to confirm one fact here. In the
10 modification that Nationstar submitted to Ms. May for her
11 signature, if she would have signed that document, she would
12 have had to pay that \$5,000 that -- again that Nationstar took
13 off of her loan; is that right?

14 A Can you direct me to the page of the exhibit?

15 Q Yeah. Okay. First of all, let's take a look at 5, which
16 is her May --

17 THE COURT: I'm sorry. What exhibit number is this?

18 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) Exhibit No. 5 is a March 14th, 2013,
19 letter from Nationstar to Ms. May sending her a copy of her
20 payment history on her loan, right? This is before the funds
21 were removed. Again with the sideways.

22 If you would please, let me direct you specifically
23 to the May -- let's call it May258, the transaction date of
24 March 8th, 2013. Do you see that?

25 A Can you identify by the transaction line on the left-hand

1 side where you're directing me?

2 MR. TILLOTSON: The code number on the far left
3 corner.

4 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) 210.

5 A 210?

6 Q Okay. 210, yeah.

7 A Yes, sir.

8 Q And what is the balance on the account as of that date?

9 A The principal balance is \$92,664.75.

10 MR. HUMPHREYS: Your Honor, I'm not able to highlight
11 the document. I'm not sure if that's something we're
12 dealing --

13 THE COURT: Yeah, hang on a second. Let's see if we
14 can get that taken care of.

15 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) Okay. We'll go ahead and use the
16 cursor, I guess, circling the number there.

17 Is that the principal balance on the loan as of the
18 date of that transaction?

19 A Yes. That would be the principal balance as of that
20 date.

21 Q And the balance there is 92 --

22 THE COURT: It's going to -- it's rebooting. We do a
23 lot of rebooting around here. Never know what it means, but
24 that's what we do.

25 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) Okay. So take a look at the document.

1 THE COURT: We'll pull it up now. Try it now. See
2 if you can . . .

3 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) All right. So we show here a
4 \$92,664.75 unpaid principal balance on the loan as of the date
5 of this transaction; is that right?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q If we move this to the left a little bit here, we can see
8 the date.

9 That's March 8th, 2013, right?

10 A That's correct.

11 Q Okay. Then take a look at Exhibit 43.

12 That's a modification that Nationstar mailed by FedEx
13 dated August 21, 2013; is that right?

14 A That's right.

15 Q And if we go to the first page of the modification, which
16 is stamped as May300.

17 And they're telling her that, as of September 1,
18 principal balance of her loan is \$97,981, almost \$98,000,
19 right?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q It's about \$5,000 more than it was five months before.

22 Her principal balance has gone up by \$5,000, right,
23 about?

24 A No. It hasn't gone up. The principal balance was
25 92,664.75. The documents on May300 is a modification

1 proposal. And what that's -- what that's doing is, since our
2 system is reading it as delinquent, it's picking up the
3 delinquent payments, any delinquent escrow. And then it's
4 bundling that amount into a proposed new loan amount.

5 Q Okay.

6 A That's why it's there. Until the loan is consummated,
7 the principal balance is not increased.

8 Q Okay.

9 A So the interest charges on the balance wouldn't increase.

10 Q Okay. Without diving into all of the accounting details,
11 the effect of this is that she would have had to pay that
12 \$5,000 that Nationstar took off her loan if she would have
13 signed this modification agreement; is that true?

14 A I'm sorry. Repeat the one other question.

15 Q The effect of -- if she would have entered into this loan
16 modification that was presented to her by Nationstar for her
17 signature, if she would have signed off on that, the effect of
18 it would be that she would have had to repay over time in
19 interest Nationstar for the \$5,000 it removed off of her
20 account?

21 A It would have adjusted her principal balance by that, but
22 by review of the total payments would have went down because
23 the mod deferred principal of --

24 THE COURT: Wait a minute. The question wasn't about
25 payments. The question was the total amount.

1 The total amount increased because they threw that
2 extra \$5,000 in on the new adjusted loan, right?

3 THE WITNESS: I thought he was asking me about
4 payments.

5 THE COURT: No. He didn't say a thing about
6 payments. He said that the total amount increased \$5,000 if
7 she signs the agreement, right?

8 THE WITNESS: Yes.

9 THE COURT: Thank you. Move on.

10 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) Now, we talked to you in opening a
11 little bit about streamlining the case here, but one thing
12 that's at issue is that you guys have not admitted you're a
13 debt collector; is that right?

14 A No. We always disclose on memoranda that this may be an
15 attempt to collect a debt.

16 Q The principal business of Nationstar is to collect loans
17 that are due -- that are owed to other folks, right?

18 A No. We also do mortgage originations and other servicing
19 in the company. We have multiple business functions, but we
20 service mortgages. That's our primary -- a primary portion of
21 our business is servicing mortgages.

22 Q Okay. Primary not principal.

23 So the primary -- whatever your word is, the business of
24 Nationstar is to collect debts owed to other folks, true?

25 A Correct. That's the bulk of what we do.

1 Q Okay. In this case the loan was owned by Fannie Mae.

2 We've gone over that, right?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q All right. And this account, when it came to Nationstar
5 from Citi, was in a bankruptcy status, right?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q And are bankrupt customers in default?

8 A I need more clarity.

9 Q I mean, by definition, if you're in bankruptcy, the
10 account's in default, right?

11 A At the time you file bankruptcy, you're in default.

12 Q Right. And when you exit the bankruptcy, that's -- when
13 the notice to cure came out in '13, that's when the account
14 was declared current; isn't that true?

15 A That's correct.

16 Q Okay. So she was in default, then, when this account was
17 transferred to Nationstar?

18 A In some manner, she would have been in default --

19 Q Okay.

20 A -- because she was still in bankruptcy.

21 Q Okay. All right. And -- and Nationstar holds itself out
22 as a debt collector, right? It tells people -- in fact, we
23 heard it on the recordings, "This is a call from a debt
24 collector. Any information you give is going to be used to
25 collect the debt," right?

1 That's a disclosure you give in your phone calls?

2 A We give a disclosure that this may be used to attempt to
3 collect a debt.

4 Q Okay.

5 A And Nationstar does act as debt collector in some cases
6 but not all cases.

7 Q Okay. And how about this case? Were you a debt
8 collector?

9 A We collected the payments. I don't necessarily know,
10 from a legal perspective, if we're considered a debt collector
11 under the Fannie Mae portfolio --

12 Q Okay.

13 A -- whether or not we're the creditor or not. So
14 operations, I would say, we collect the payments.

15 Q Okay. We'll let them sort it out whether or not you're a
16 debt collector. That's fine.

17 And your letters, for example, on Exhibit 5 that we just
18 looked at there on the bottom of it, "This is an attempt to
19 collect a debt. Any information could be used for that
20 purpose"; is that right?

21 A You said exhibit what number?

22 Q 5. You've got your mini *Miranda* on the bottom of that?
23 Isn't that what you call it?

24 A I have Exhibit 52. 50 --

25 Q 5 is the March 14th, 2013, letter that has the payment

1 history attached to it.

2 A I can't find Exhibit 5.

3 Q It's on the screen right here.

4 A But I would say that our disclosure is the same on all
5 our documents.

6 Q Okay. This is a disclosure you give to comply with the
7 requirements of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, right?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q And you're telling people that you're a debt collector,
10 right, by that? True?

11 A We have that same disclosure, but we're not the debt
12 collector on every loan that we service even though we would
13 have that disclosure on every loan.

14 Q But yet you're denying to the Court that you're a debt
15 collector for the purpose of this lawsuit?

16 A From a legal perspective, I could just tell you that we
17 collected the debt for -- on behalf of Fannie Mae.

18 Q Okay. And we're going to have handed to you what's been
19 marked as 157.

20 And is that a photocopy of inspection reports that were
21 provided to Nationstar?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Nationstar sent people out to my client's home to inspect
24 it?

25 A They generally do a drive-by.

1 Q Okay.

2 A They don't generally enter the property.

3 Q Okay. I'm not saying that they did go into her home in
4 this case, but that's something you can do in certain
5 circumstances?

6 A We're required by Fannie Mae to do periodic checks on the
7 property to ensure the utilities are on and occupancy is
8 validated.

9 Q Okay. And -- but you're only required to do that on
10 loans that are truly in default, right?

11 A And there is other conditions. If the property appears
12 to be unoccupied for a period of time -- mail is being
13 returned, utility bills aren't being paid -- we still have
14 responsibility to have oversight over the property even if
15 it's current.

16 Q Well, Ms. May never left her home, did she? You're not
17 saying that, are you?

18 A No, I'm not.

19 Q Okay. And if we scroll through this, we can see some
20 photos of her home. And specifically take a look at -- yeah,
21 let's -- Nationstar 673.

22 That's -- what's the purpose of that photo? Why did
23 Nationstar have that done?

24 A 673?

25 Q Yeah.

1 A It's the vendor confirming that they did a drive-by on
2 the correct property.

3 Q Okay. When you say "vendor," you mean Solutionstar,
4 right?

5 A This one was done by Field Asset Services. That's not --
6 that wasn't Solutionstar.

7 Q Okay. That's a company that Nationstar chose to hire in
8 this case?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q Do you guys have any ownership interest in it?

11 A Not to my understanding, not Field Asset Services, no.

12 Q Okay. And if you look at 682, this visual observation
13 that's being done, how do they determine whether or not she
14 lived in her home?

15 A You said 682?

16 Q Yes.

17 A They would look for, if it's snowing, did you see any car
18 tracks, did you see any footprints going through the front
19 door, did you see any mail piling up on the door, do you see a
20 light on, do you see a utility tag that says utilities were
21 turned off.

22 That's what they're doing to validate that someone is
23 actually living there.

24 Q In this case they were looking in her personal property
25 around the house there to see that she had some decorations up

1 on this particular inspection; is that right?

2 A Can you direct me to your exhibit?

3 Q Yeah. That would be the same one there.

4 A Talking about decorations?

5 Q Yes. 6 -- it's up on the screen. What's that number?

6 And that would be -- I apologize -- 682.

7 If you look at that there, I just want you to confirm for
8 us here that there was a visual, that occupancy was determined
9 by a visual observation; somebody was seeing that she had some
10 decorations up, and that was the basis to confirm that she, in
11 fact, lived there still.

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q As this house got close to the foreclosure sale, is it
14 the usual practice at Nationstar to increase the amount of
15 times people come by and take photos of the home?

16 A That's the practice, yes.

17 Q It's done every day?

18 A I don't know if it's every day, but it's definitely at a
19 higher ratio than it was previously. That's where you have
20 the highest exposure to vandalism on the property.

21 Q Let me have handed to you, if I could, what's been marked
22 as Plaintiff 2, Exhibit 2. That's the collection history
23 profile that's been discussed here quite a bit. Take a look
24 at what's been stamped as Nationstar 1835.

25 And if you look at the entry that's on February 3rd,

1 2014, does that say that there are daily inspections ordered?

2 A Excuse me. Did you say 1835?

3 Q 1835, February 3rd, 2014, property inspection ordered,
4 daily inspection orders.

5 A Okay. I'm at 1835. Can you direct me to where you would
6 like me to look?

7 Q Yeah. That'd be the 2-3-2014 entry.

8 A Yes, sir.

9 Q Okay. So you can confirm for this Jury that daily
10 inspections were being done as the foreclosure sale date that
11 you posted came closer, right?

12 A Yes. That's ordering a property inspection. That's
13 correct.

14 Q And you charge the borrower for those inspections, right?

15 A That depends.

16 Q Well, they were placed on the borrower's account for
17 payment; is that true?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Okay.

20 A But it depends if they get paid back by the borrower or
21 not. Not necessarily.

22 Q All right. And do you know if Solutionstar, your
23 company -- your sister company, as part of Nationstar, did any
24 of the inspections here?

25 A Are you referring to Exhibit 161?

1 Q Yes. Doesn't that establish that Solutionstar was doing
2 inspections on the home?

3 A At some point in time, they began doing the inspections
4 rather than Field Asset Services.

5 Q Okay. Yeah, and that started in -- the first billing we
6 have here is October 7th, 2014; is that right? I'm sorry.
7 September. All right. Anyway, they say what they say.

8 Solutionstar, Nationstar's company, was doing inspections
9 as early as February 2014; is that true?

10 If you look at the screen, you can see that. Is your
11 screen on?

12 A That would be correct.

13 Q Okay. Now, these drive-bys -- are you aware of incidents
14 where the homeowner is -- sees what's going on and there's a
15 confrontation that comes up because someone's parked in front
16 of your house photographing it?

17 A Very rarely. Because they're to stay on the street, and
18 it's done very inconspicuously. They just do a drive-by
19 and -- on the picture, just as traffic would go by your house.

20 Q They're using a zoom lens, right, to take close-up
21 photographs of the home?

22 A I couldn't tell you what kind of lens or how close they
23 get. But they're just trying to validate the picture, and
24 they're looking for is there a car in the driveway, are
25 utilities turned on.

1 Q Okay. Well, we saw a picture of the close-up of the
2 numbers on the front of her house, right? You saw that photo?

3 A Yes, sir.

4 Q Okay. Regardless of the type of lens it is, is it
5 business practice for you guys to use zoom lenses to look at
6 people's houses, you know, with -- the front of their house
7 with -- their windows through the zoom lens or whatever lens
8 it is?

9 A The pictures I see only confirm the house number. I
10 don't see pictures of inside people's houses on pictures that
11 are submitted. I only see that they're confirming that
12 they've looked at the right house. So they take a picture of
13 the house number.

14 Q And what decorations are being looked at? Were they
15 inside the house or outside?

16 A Could be if the Christmas tree is lit up through the
17 window. That would be from a road visual. Christmas
18 decorations in the yard would be from a road visual.
19 Sidewalks are sometimes marked with Christmas lights.

20 Their observation should be from the street.

21 Q Is that highly offensive to you to be looking at this
22 lady's home and taking these photographs of it and posting
23 notice in the newspaper that she's not paying her bills? Is
24 that an offensive invasion of this woman's privacy to you?

25 A No, it's not. Because my house gets pictures taken for

1 tax assessments, HOAs, fences. It's not unusual for somebody
2 to take a picture of my house from the street.

3 Q So you don't have an expectation of privacy is what I'm
4 hearing?

5 A No, as long as they don't come on my property. But the
6 highway, the road going around your area is not owned by you.
7 It's owned by a public --

8 Q Okay.

9 A -- entity. And it's not illegal for someone to take a
10 picture of your house from the road.

11 Q So does your homeowner association come by every day and
12 take a picture of your place?

13 A They take a picture if I have a weed in the -- if I have
14 a weed in my yard or if my yard's not cut down or if they
15 think I need to repair my fence.

16 Q Okay.

17 A They'll send me photos of my house.

18 Q It's your company's view then -- it's your position that
19 anything you do from the street is fair game?

20 A No. There are specific rules on what they're supposed to
21 do. They're supposed to just validate occupancy and any
22 evidence that someone's living there and that there's nothing
23 that's happened to the property that would be unsafe for the
24 community. An example would be, you know, a tree through a
25 window, a swimming pool whose fence had blown down and it's

1 unoccupied.

2 So we do have responsibilities to ensure that the
3 neighborhood is kept safe from the liability of the property
4 that we have an interest in.

5 Q Okay. That's all good and well for folks who don't live
6 in their houses here, but there's no indication here that
7 Ms. May ever left; is that right?

8 A That's true.

9 Q So you couldn't possibly be trying to -- none of those
10 things you just said apply to Ms. May, do they?

11 A Not that I could see, no, sir.

12 Q Let's talk about this Fair Credit Reporting Act case we
13 have here. Let me have handed to you what's been marked as
14 Plaintiff 233. And flip back to page 11 here.

15 And you verified that these -- the information in this
16 paper here is true and correct to the best of your knowledge,
17 right?

18 A Yes, I did.

19 Q Okay. And then take a look at page 4 for me, please, the
20 supplemental answer.

21 And -- and just to confirm that, this part right here, on
22 April 30th, it was known at Nationstar that -- that this
23 \$5,000 should not have been taken from Ms. May, and we have
24 Lori Harp here going in and making the changes on April 30th,
25 2014, right?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Okay. And let's -- let's take a look at some of the
3 records here. But before we do, let's set up a little context
4 here.

5 We've -- there's been some discussion in this case about
6 credit reporting and the fact that Nationstar changed it from
7 9 months past due to about 22 months past due.

8 Is that something you recall hearing in this case?

9 A Yes. And I confirmed that.

10 Q Okay. And Ms. May made a complaint about the way
11 Nationstar was reporting her credit in late June 2014; is that
12 right?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q Okay. And that would be -- that's two months after you
15 had discovered, you say, this \$5,000 mistake, right?

16 A That's correct.

17 Q And so she's complaining about the way her credit is
18 being reported, that she shouldn't be reported as past due,
19 right?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q And she sent a dispute to -- she sent a dispute to -- and
22 I'll -- I'm going to ask you to bear with me here because I
23 only have one copy of this particular exhibit, and take a look
24 at Exhibit 64 there on the screen, if you would. Is this the
25 letter that you're referring to when Ms. May made a dispute

1 June 29th, 2014? Here, I can give you a paper copy.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: Mr. Loll, I gave him a copy, so --

3 THE COURT: Got it. Thanks.

4 MR. HUMPHREYS: Thank you.

5 A The only thing I can say is that was -- it's a letter
6 that Ms. May sends to the credit reporting agency. We
7 received a dispute from the credit reporting agency to us
8 directly.

9 Q Okay. And isn't it -- you got a copy of this letter,
10 didn't you, at Nationstar, from Equifax?

11 A In my review, I didn't see that letter. I saw the
12 dispute that came from Equifax in the -- in the form document
13 that they sent to us electronically that there was a dispute
14 that matches that this borrower had disputes over this period
15 of time.

16 Q Okay.

17 A I don't recall -- I might be wrong, but I don't recall
18 reading a letter that was directly sent to the dispute credit
19 report company of Equifax.

20 Q Okay. So it's your understanding, then, that Nationstar
21 would only have received electronic transmission of a code or
22 something from Equifax?

23 A No. No. We did. I reviewed that document.

24 Q Okay.

25 A I reviewed the dispute document that the credit company

1 sends to us.

2 Q Okay. But it's your testimony, then, that Nationstar did
3 not receive what's been marked as Plaintiff Exhibit 64,
4 specifically, EIS -- which stands for Equifax Information
5 Services -- May Document No. 10, that this June 29th, 2014,
6 letter was never received by Nationstar?

7 A I could find it. And I inquired to our credit reporting
8 groups if it existed, and they told me they didn't have it.

9 Q Okay.

10 A Because I was looking for that letter.

11 Q Let's hand to you -- I'm going to have handed to you
12 Exhibit 214.

13 Is that Nationstar's credit reporting -- credit reporting
14 dispute procedures?

15 A They are. They usually have a change number on them so
16 that I know what version and when this was published.

17 Q Well, the only thing I -- this is the only thing we've
18 received that I'm aware of that says "credit reporting dispute
19 procedures" that was produced by Nationstar. So I really
20 wouldn't be able to give you any other information than that.

21 A I understand. I understand.

22 Q Is it your thinking, though, that this might not have
23 been the policy that was in place at the time this dispute was
24 investigated? Is that what you're suggesting?

25 A No. I just would have liked to have confirmed the date

1 of publication of this policy, that I'm working with the date
2 as it relates to the credit dispute. I believe it is, but I
3 just would like to make sure. I believe it is true.

4 Q Okay. Do you have a memory of a different procedure?

5 A I just know the law changes that we had under fair credit
6 reporting and when that took place and the systems that we
7 changed to to comply with how to report under Fair Credit
8 Reporting Act.

9 Q Okay. Well, if I could direct your attention to this
10 Exhibit 214 that's been turned over to us as Nationstar's
11 credit reporting dispute procedures. Take a look at
12 Nationstar1672, please.

13 A Did you say 1672?

14 Q Yes. I want to direct your attention specifically to
15 "automated consumer dispute verification."

16 A Okay.

17 Q Doesn't Nationstar's own policies admit that the credit
18 reporting agency forwards the dispute, including supporting
19 documentation, to Nationstar through the electronic system
20 here e-OSCAR?

21 A That's correct. When I reviewed, I only saw the document
22 of dispute. And they have sections in it that say the reason
23 of dispute. A lot of that was left blank.

24 I didn't see this page that you're showing me on the
25 other exhibit. I could only see in the system that dispute

1 document from the credit reporting agency.

2 Q So you don't know if the documents were received or not,
3 then, according to your procedure here?

4 A No. The procedure's talking about the dispute comes over
5 to us, but the document itself has narratives in it for what
6 the reason of the dispute is. And on this particular case, in
7 2014, the narrative was very narrowed. It didn't give me a
8 lot of information as to what the issues were.

9 Q Okay. So taking a look at Exhibit 64 there, the -- this
10 is the dispute, right, that first page of it, EIS-May10. This
11 is the dispute that -- that's being referenced in your own
12 procedures, right?

13 A No. This is the dispute that's going to the credit
14 reporting agency. The credit reporting agency is then acting
15 on behalf of the consumer to contact Nationstar directly and
16 state that "You sent this information, and it's being
17 disputed. Can you confirm what you sent?"

18 Q Okay. That's the ACDV.

19 A But we don't have that.

20 Q That's an ACDV. That's an automated consumer dispute
21 verification form.

22 A Correct.

23 Q That's a different record.

24 A That's what I reviewed in 2014.

25 Q Yeah. But this is the dispute right here, Exhibit 64,

1 stamped 10.

2 That's the dispute that you get according to your own
3 procedures?

4 A No.

5 Q Okay. All right. Well, we'll move on.

6 A No, that's not the dispute.

7 Q That's the best I can do with that, then, on that.

8 So it's your contention, then, that you don't think that
9 Nationstar actually got this Plaintiff Exhibit 64, this
10 dispute?

11 A From my review, I -- I -- this was not there. This was
12 sent to the property of the Equifax. It wasn't mailed to
13 Nationstar. Equifax generated a dispute form to us from what
14 I believe was this letter.

15 Q Okay. So behind this dispute from Ms. May, which is
16 Plaintiff Exhibit 64, if you look behind that, you'll see on
17 11 her driver's license, her proof of residence there with her
18 address, right? You see a letter?

19 A Yes, sir.

20 Q The next one is 12. It's a letter from a bank, World's
21 Foremost Bank, about a Cabela's card -- declining her credit
22 on a Cabela's card, right?

23 A I'm sorry. Can you -- can you repeat that last sentence?

24 Q Yeah. The -- the -- EIS-May 12 is a letter to Ms. May
25 from a bank called World's Foremost Bank rejecting her --

1 notifying Ms. May that she's being rejected for a -- she's
2 being rejected for a Cabela's club Visa account.

3 A Yes, sir. I see that.

4 Q Okay. And so these are the supporting documentation
5 that -- that was -- yeah, and the credit report. There's also
6 a credit report there.

7 Starting at Equifax14, that was part of what she sent to
8 Equifax, right?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q All right. And this has a -- this Equifax account has
11 some reporting by Nationstar, right?

12 Under "open accounts," it's the very first one there. It
13 would be on EIS-May 15 under "mortgage accounts." Do you see
14 that?

15 A Did you say May15.

16 Q Yes, EIS-May15.

17 I guess my only question is: Do you see the report there
18 by Nationstar, Ms. May's Equifax credit report?

19 A I see it, but can you direct me to -- I mean, that's our
20 credit rating, but I'm trying to find where it says
21 Nationstar.

22 Q On the line under "open accounts," the first entry.
23 Yeah, you can look up on the screen if that's easier for you.
24 You can look on the screen.

25 A I am. I'm trying to match it to the pages you're giving

1 me.

2 What's that Bates stamp?

3 Q 15. EIS-May15.

4 A Oh, okay. I have it.

5 Q Okay. So we can see that Nationstar's reporting her to
6 be 120 days past due on the date of this report, which is
7 May 5th, 2014, right? Is that right?

8 A That's right, sir.

9 Q Okay. And then we can see here on the screen the 2013
10 reporting from March to October.

11 It's between 150 -- well, between 120 and 180 days past
12 due, right? That's what Nationstar is reporting to Equifax,
13 the credit reporting agency; is that true?

14 A That's true.

15 Q And the comment is "180 days past due"?

16 A That's true.

17 Q Okay. Is that a truthful reporting about what -- how she
18 was paying her bills to Nationstar?

19 A It's inaccurate.

20 Q Okay. And so Ms. May wrote a dispute letter that we have
21 as Exhibit 64 to Equifax Information Services, the credit
22 reporting agency that had this false information about her,
23 and asked them to get involved about this false reporting,
24 right?

25 A Yes, sir.

1 Q And the way this -- the credit reporting system works is
2 the consumer disputes with the bureau who has the data, and
3 then they turn around and give you notice of a dispute by the
4 consumer, right?

5 A That's correct.

6 Q And what's unclear here between you and I is what
7 information exactly you were provided by Equifax?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q Whether it was just this ACDV coding form or whether it
10 was actually this packet you're looking at, right?

11 A That's correct.

12 Q And your procedure says you get the dispute and
13 supporting documentation, right?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And wouldn't the information we just went through here,
16 wouldn't that be supporting documentation?

17 A It would be, but I didn't see it. In my review and going
18 through all our records, I did not see that supporting
19 information. I -- my review had to do with the information
20 that was on the dispute comment lines on the form itself.

21 Q Okay. So let us provide you with Plaintiff's Exhibit 53.

22 Is this -- is this the ACDV form we've been speaking of,
23 this electronic report that's transmitted by the bureau to
24 Nationstar?

25 A Yes. This is the document I reviewed.

1 Q Okay. And if you look on the left-hand side under
2 "account history request," that's -- that's the submission
3 that was made by Equifax to Nationstar saying "Here's what we
4 have in our records. Here's what we show you have given us,"
5 right?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q And then -- then there's a -- you have a chance to look
8 at Nationstar records in response to this, and you have some
9 time period to do your investigation and see if this
10 information is accurate or not?

11 A That's correct.

12 Q And you report back to the bureau, and you can tell them
13 to either delete the account, to modify it in some way, or to
14 verify it, right?

15 A That's correct.

16 Q And you didn't verify it; you didn't delete it; you
17 modified it, right?

18 A Yes, they modified it.

19 Q And the modification was to take her from 9 months past
20 due to 22 months past due?

21 A They did --

22 Q 22 months of delinquency, I should say. Let me strike
23 that. That was not a fair question to you. I apologize.

24 The modification that was made at Nationstar after their
25 investigation was to take her account from 8 or 9 months of

1 delinquency to show her as having been delinquent for a period
2 of 22 months; is that true?

3 A That's true.

4 Q Okay. And did anybody at Nationstar reach out to Equifax
5 to say "What are you" -- you know, "What's going on here?
6 What information are you" -- you know, to communicate with
7 Equifax about "What do you know from the borrower?" Did that
8 happen?

9 A My interviews with the individual that responded to this
10 said that she -- this was the only document that she had
11 that -- what she does is she looks at the data that we
12 furnished.

13 Q Okay.

14 A And then she validates it and resends the response.

15 Q Okay. So she didn't call Equifax and ask them what
16 information they had to support Ms. May's position here, did
17 she?

18 A No, she -- no, she didn't.

19 Q She didn't call Ms. May to ask what information Ms. May
20 had, did she?

21 A No, she didn't.

22 Q Does she have a phone?

23 A Yes, she has a phone.

24 Q Okay. Is she not trained to use that telephone to speak
25 to people when she does her investigation?

1 A No. What this -- what she's doing to comply with our
2 guidelines is the credit reporting is asking us to confirm
3 what we sent to them is accurate. It says right here that
4 it's -- on 106, it's about disputed -- it's disputed.

5 Now, from a servicer, we don't know what is being
6 disputed. We don't know if every line is being disputed. We
7 don't know.

8 The credit report wants to have a fair investigation.
9 They don't want you to be influenced. So what they're saying
10 is "This is what you sent to you. Confirm it and resend it
11 back to us."

12 Q Okay. So you don't really know what the nature of her
13 dispute was, then, based upon, you're saying, from the skimpy
14 information that was provided to you by the bureau?

15 A The customer has a right to go directly to us with their
16 dispute letters, and then we have to respond back to them.
17 But, from a credit report dispute, we only receive this
18 information.

19 Q Okay. Does Nationstar have an obligation to do a
20 reasonable investigation in response to a dispute received
21 from the bureau -- credit bureau?

22 A We do.

23 Q Okay. And as part of your reasonable procedures that
24 you've implemented at Nationstar, you don't call the borrower
25 to ask them what's going on here, do you?

1 A Not unless it was the borrower requesting the dispute.

2 Q And as part of this reasonable investigation you're
3 required to do under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, you don't
4 call the credit bureau and ask what information they have, do
5 you?

6 A They already did. They send us what we sent, and they
7 are saying it's in dispute.

8 Q You're saying, sir, the opposite.

9 You're saying that they didn't give you all the
10 information, aren't you?

11 A No. I'm saying is -- they're telling us that there's a
12 dispute, but what you're showing me is the narrative of the
13 dispute that sends right to the credit reporting agencies.

14 We don't get that narrative unless the customer gives
15 that narrative directly to us. Because the borrower can send
16 a dispute right to us. In this case they didn't. They went
17 to the credit report to file the dispute.

18 Q Well -- all right. That's your understanding of how the
19 requirements of the credit reporting act work? At Nationstar
20 you don't have any understanding that you trigger
21 responsibilities of investigation by reporting to the bureau?
22 That's not Nationstar's understanding of how credit reporting
23 works?

24 A No. There's different rules. The rules are handling a
25 credit dispute to a borrower and handling a credit dispute

1 that comes from the borrower through the credit reporting
2 agency. You have to respond back to the agency on the
3 agency's dispute.

4 Q Right.

5 A Borrowers who dispute -- I have to give evidence to the
6 borrower and address their dispute directly.

7 Q Okay. They -- they give you this Code 106, right? This
8 is a dispute code, and it has a listing there of what
9 information could be at issue?

10 A Right. We have that.

11 Q Okay. And the -- this dispute comes across sometime in
12 July, right? This information is received in July?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q And we've already established this is three months after
15 the error had been determined at Nationstar. You figure out
16 the error and you supposedly reapplied it. You reapplied the
17 money immediately on April 6th -- or April 30th, 2014,
18 according to the answers you gave the Court?

19 A I'm sorry. Repeat that.

20 Q Yeah. We just covered this earlier today here that, in
21 your verified answers to discovery, you said that Nationstar
22 figured out on April 30th about this \$5,000 problem,
23 immediately fixed it, immediately reapplied the money, right?

24 A That's correct.

25 Q But we have here -- roll this up, please. Let's look at

1 the exact date.

2 On July 24th, 2014, three months later, this lady you
3 interviewed here, Elizabeth Hansen, is sending back saying
4 she's been delinquent for 22 months.

5 Is that true? Is that what happened?

6 A I'm sorry. Where are you directing the 22 months?

7 Q The -- we've already established that from your lawyer in
8 opening statement, I think.

9 A No. I thought you said that we reported her 22 months
10 delinquent. You're talking about 22 months --

11 Q Okay.

12 A -- span of reporting?

13 Q Delinquent over a 22-month period.

14 A Correct. She reported over 22 months.

15 Q Got it. Okay. So that wasn't true that she was 22 --
16 had been delinquent over a 22-month period? That was not
17 truthful information?

18 A That was not accurate.

19 Q Okay. Is this retaliation here against Ms. May after
20 she's filed a lawsuit? She's making a credit reporting
21 dispute, and you're blowing up her credit?

22 A Absolutely not.

23 Q Okay. And if -- but this problem was known at Nationstar
24 in April, right? The error was discovered in April?

25 A That's correct.

1 Q And in -- the procedures at Nationstar didn't pick it --
2 aren't sufficient when you do a reasonable investigation to
3 pick up on this three months later, right? Your procedures
4 aren't robust enough to pick up on this kind of an error after
5 three months of knowing about it?

6 A I would disagree with your assessment.

7 Q Okay. So basically what happened here is Ms. Hansen
8 looked at the screen, and the screen said whatever it said,
9 and she put that in here and sent it back to the bureau.

10 That was the reasonable investigation you did, right?

11 A She looked at the account screens as they were that day.

12 Q Okay. She didn't go back in and look at any of the
13 dispute letters Ms. May had submitted?

14 A No. She would have only looked at the transactions as
15 they posted.

16 Q If she'd have looked at the transaction history, she
17 would have seen that on April 30th that this thing had already
18 been corrected, right?

19 A I think you do see that back in the reporting where
20 it's -- on the one line on the far right. I do think that
21 that's where she's identifying that that was close to current.

22 But, if I recall, when you're talking about it brought it
23 current during that period of time, alls they did was post the
24 money, the 5,162. There were still additional funds that had
25 to be posted to bring the account current.

1 Q Okay. So you're saying that Ms. Hansen knew this account
2 was current and reported that back to Equifax in this
3 Exhibit 53? Is that what I heard you say?

4 A No. She could see the month that it was brought close to
5 current, but it didn't stay current until the additional
6 payments were posted that Jeannie May had resubmitted.

7 Q Okay. Let's take a look. Let's roll up. Let's go to
8 the top of this document right here.

9 THE COURT: Why don't you get rid of those red marks
10 on that thing.

11 MR. HUMPHREYS: What's that, Your Honor?

12 THE COURT: You just did it. Thank you.

13 MR. HUMPHREYS: Let's go up a little bit. Move it
14 up.

15 MR. WALLACE: Go down, you mean?

16 MR. HUMPHREYS: I want to see more. Yeah. Thank
17 you.

18 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) This account is being reported as
19 having a past-due balance of \$12,841, right? Is that right?
20 Is that -- that's what it says?

21 A Is that on the July update?

22 Q That's, yeah, the same exhibit, 53.

23 A I want to make sure we're looking at -- July 2014, yes.

24 Q Okay. That's not accurate, is it? That's not true?

25 A That's not true.

1 Q Any changes to the credit reporting procedures since this
2 trial started?

3 A Yes.

4 Q I'm not going to get into that. I'll let you do that
5 with your lawyer.

6 Okay. And so the impact here was shown in Exhibit 67
7 that Equifax did exactly what you asked of them, right, what
8 you told them to report?

9 A Yes, sir.

10 Q And if we look at Exhibit 67, on page 493, we can see
11 here that they're reporting her six months, five months, three
12 months, two months, one month, then back to five, and then
13 five months past due over that period from March of 2014
14 through August of 2012, right?

15 A Yes, sir.

16 Q If this Jury decides that your last -- I'm going to call
17 them eleventh-hour fixes.

18 Is that a fair way to say it? Your corrections through
19 all these different procedures we've been hearing about the
20 last few days, is it okay with you if I call them
21 eleventh-hour fixes? Does that sound right?

22 A No.

23 Q Okay. Well, whatever you want to call them, these
24 repairs, fixes you-all have done here, if the Jury decides
25 that -- that that's not credible to them and they decide that

1 maybe you guys were outrageous and acted with reckless
2 indifference here -- the Judge is going to tell them what the
3 law is; you decide the facts -- and if they decide that
4 punitives are a proper thing here, how much money is your
5 company worth?

6 Because we don't want to get into any type of an award
7 that would materially impair your ability to go forward as an
8 ongoing business. I mean, we don't want to crush your
9 company. That's not fair. We want to send you a message is
10 what we're asking you for.

11 So how much is your company worth so that they can know
12 that and not overdo it if they want to award punitives?

13 A I can just tell you that our company cares immensely
14 about this. I care --

15 THE COURT: The question is: What's the value of
16 your company, financial value?

17 MR. TILLOTSON: Your Honor, the Defendant -- I don't
18 know if this particularly is the right witness for that issue.
19 But the Defendant will stipulate through the public records
20 that have been made part of these proceedings that Nationstar
21 Mortgage Holding, which is our holding company, has a net
22 worth of approximately \$1 billion.

23 THE COURT: 1 billion?

24 MR. TILLOTSON: \$1 billion.

25 MR. HUMPHREYS: Not to quibble, but it's 1.2 billion,

1 Your Honor.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: We'll take it, 1.2 billion.

3 MR. HUMPHREYS: Okay.

4 MR. TILLOTSON: You know, it's approximately 1.1 to
5 1.2 billion, but the document is in evidence.

6 THE COURT: Fair enough. Thank you. I appreciate
7 your stipulation.

8 MR. TILLOTSON: Thank you, Your Honor.

9 MR. HUMPHREYS: Nothing further at this time, Your
10 Honor. Thank you.

11 THE COURT: Okay. We're going to -- you can step
12 down, Mr. Loll. We're going to take a recess.

13 Ladies and gentleman, we're going to take our morning
14 recess. Again, you're instructed not to discuss the case.
15 Don't form or express any opinions about the case. Don't let
16 anyone discuss the case in your presence. We'll bring you
17 back in about 15 minutes.

18 (Court recessed from 10:24 a.m. until 10:41 a.m.)

19 THE COURT: I apologize for being late, folks. I got
20 caught up in stuff on my desk.

21 All right. I understand you're going to keep that
22 witness on the witness stand for your case.

23 MR. TILLOTSON: Yes, Your Honor. With the Court's
24 permission, in addition to the matters covered by opposing
25 counsel, I'd like to put on our direct case-in-chief to speed

1 it along and not have to recall Mr. Loll.

2 THE COURT: That's a good idea. Thank you.

3 MR. HUMPHREYS: No objection, Your Honor.

4 THE COURT: Thank you.

5 MR. TILLOTSON: May I proceed, Your Honor?

6 THE COURT: You may.

7 MR. TILLOTSON: Thank you.

8 CROSS-EXAMINATION

9 BY MR. TILLOTSON:

10 Q Mr. Loll, I'm going to ask you questions here on behalf
11 of Nationstar both in your capacity as the corporate
12 representative and as a senior employee of Nationstar.

13 Before I do that, first, when we say "corporate
14 representative," do you understand that to mean that you're
15 here empowered to speak on behalf of Nationstar?

16 A I am. I understand.

17 Q And are you -- do you have the authority and the level of
18 seniority within the company to speak on behalf of the
19 company?

20 A I do.

21 Q And the things you say here in the courtroom under oath,
22 when you say them, do you understand and recognize that you're
23 binding Nationstar, that the company has to live with those
24 and honor the things that you say?

25 A I understand.

1 Q And have you been sent here -- are you here with the
2 requisite authority from the company that you can make those
3 statements and the Jury can be certain that Nationstar
4 understands what you're saying and -- and is bound by it?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Now, let me ask you -- because we've been talking about
7 attention.

8 Has this case and the things that have gone on here, no
9 doubt, have caught your attention; is that fair?

10 A That's very fair.

11 Q And how about above you? I know you're a senior
12 employee, and we'll talk a little bit about where you are in
13 the organization.

14 Have you made efforts to bring the matters that happened
15 here to the Plaintiff to the attention of senior management?

16 A I have.

17 Q And have you been empowered to -- to make changes,
18 improvements, and take corrective actions in this case?

19 A I have.

20 Q Have you offered or said anything to Nationstar about
21 anything that's happened here where someone above you has
22 said, "No, we're not going to do that"?

23 A Absolutely not.

24 Q Has anyone said to you at any time, "That's too
25 expensive. I don't care about that. We're not going to do

1 that"?

2 A That's correct.

3 Q Okay. Now, I want to pick up in a moment with some of
4 the issues they talked about so we can sort of get a fuller
5 explanation.

6 But first -- and I don't want to put words in your mouth
7 because I want you to tell the Jury what you think -- but are
8 you embarrassed about what happened in this case?

9 A I'm extremely embarrassed.

10 Q On behalf of Nationstar, does -- do you feel and can you
11 convey to the company the sense of embarrassment and lack of
12 pride you have on what happened here?

13 A I have, and I have been for quite some time.

14 Q All right. We're going to get to that in a minute. I
15 want to start with the last thing because I think it's
16 probably fresh in people's minds about what happened. But I
17 want to pick up with the credit reporting issue we talked
18 about, because it was sort of the last thing we did, and we
19 can address that maybe while still in everyone's minds.

20 MR. TILLOTSON: And, Mr. Delany, if you'll bring up
21 for us Plaintiff's Exhibit 53. And they'll bring it on the
22 screen there.

23 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) This was the form that we talked
24 about, and we'll blow up some portions so you can see it.
25 But so we know what we're looking at, as I understood what you

1 said, when a customer complains to a credit rating agency,
2 they send us information and then we verify or do whatever,
3 and we do it through the form we're all looking at here on the
4 screen; is that right?

5 A That's correct. We are only validating against the
6 information that was sent that the credit report's directing
7 us to review.

8 Q Okay. And there's been talk about her letter and whatnot,
9 but let's focus on the form here.

10 Who was the employee at Nationstar that was responsible
11 for this form; do you remember?

12 A It's Elizabeth Hansen. I can't -- it's too far away, but
13 Elizabeth Hansen is the person who did the response on this
14 credit report update.

15 Q And as part of your investigation in connection with this
16 matter, did you talk with her directly?

17 A I talked to her directly and her supervisor.

18 Q Okay. Now --

19 MR. TILLOTSON: Mr. Delany, if you'll blow up for us
20 the response portion in the blue there. It's got the numbers
21 there at the bottom. It's got this annoying draft thing on
22 it.

23 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Is this the information that she's now
24 inputting in response to the dispute?

25 A It is.

1 Q Okay. Now, it looks like numbers, but let's sort of kind
2 of explain what we're looking at. If I start on the top row,
3 with the 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 there on the right-hand corner -- do
4 you see that?

5 You can highlight that if you want, the 6, 5, 4, 3 up
6 there at the top.

7 So as I understand the way these forms work, this is --
8 we're going backwards in time over her payment history?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q So if this was in July, we would count backwards, and
11 you're saying how many months behind she is?

12 A That's correct.

13 Q All right. And the -- as I understand what you
14 testified, the issue was before we had only reported a few
15 months her being behind; but when the Nationstar employee
16 repopulated this document, she expanded the number of months
17 that she was saying Ms. May had been delinquent on?

18 A That's correct.

19 Q And she did that why? What was she looking at that made
20 her think that was the correct information?

21 A The system that we were using allowed her to see a
22 24-month history on the account, and she thought she was doing
23 the correct thing by updating areas that we hadn't previously
24 updated.

25 Q In connection with your investigation, talking to her and

1 looking at it, did you see any evidence that led you to
2 believe that a Nationstar employee knew or even had reason to
3 believe the information she was putting on this form here was
4 inaccurate?

5 A She didn't know that it was inaccurate, but the meeting I
6 had with her and her manager -- and it was a pretty strong
7 tone from me that it shouldn't be done in the future. And the
8 policy in which she was operating at the time had already been
9 changed before I interviewed her.

10 Q Okay. Now, let me -- let me just refine and dig a little
11 deeper.

12 There are obviously mistakes that were made, and we have
13 said that the mistake made here -- and you'll agree with me
14 what the Nationstar employee did here, expanding how many
15 months she was delinquent, was an error? Should not have
16 happened?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q Okay. But at the time she made this error, when you
19 investigated and talked to her and looked at what she did, did
20 you see any evidence that she knew or thought she was
21 reporting inaccurate information, or did she think she was
22 doing the right thing?

23 A She thought she was doing the right thing.

24 Q Okay. Now, there was a discussion brought up about
25 "Well, wait a minute. This is in July. In May, you had

1 applied amounts to her."

2 If we count backwards, go, you know, from the 6, 5, 4, 3,
3 2, 1, does the 1 represent the month of April 2014?

4 A That would be my understanding.

5 Q Okay. Now, so when -- in April 2014 is when
6 Nationstar -- and we'll see the document in a second -- first
7 reversed the \$5,162 we had erroneously put on her account; is
8 that accurate?

9 A That's correct.

10 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. And, Keith, if you'll bring up
11 for us -- we'll come back to this in a second, but if you'll
12 bring up for us Plaintiff's Exhibit 110, which is a document
13 you saw earlier today, Plaintiff's 110. And if you'll blow up
14 for us the second paragraph there.

15 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) So this is May 8th, 2014. And
16 Nationstar is sending this letter to Ms. May, which says, "We
17 have conducted an investigation and corrected the error
18 asserted within the received correspondence. We have verified
19 that the funds were misapplied once the bankruptcy was
20 discharged, creating an incorrect amount due. The
21 post-petition ledger is correct. We applied 3,628 to the
22 delinquent payments and \$1,534.26 applied to corporate
23 advances, and we waived late fees that was associated with
24 this error." Do you see that?

25 A I do.

1 Q Now, if we add those two numbers together, 3,628 and
2 1,534, do we get the approximate \$5,162 we erroneously put on
3 her account?

4 A We do.

5 Q And when we did that, however, did it not also trigger --
6 when we erroneously put it on, did it trigger late fees
7 erroneously as well?

8 A Can you repeat that? Did it trigger late fees when we
9 did the reversal of the funds?

10 Q No, no. I'm sorry. So when we originally made the
11 mistake -- you see here we're waiving late fees as well?

12 A Right.

13 Q Where did those late fees come from?

14 A They were the late fees that had accumulated throughout
15 the period of time since it came out of bankruptcy in the
16 post-discharge time period.

17 Q Okay. So since she didn't owe the original 5,100, she
18 doesn't owe the late fees?

19 A That's correct.

20 Q Okay. Now, at this point in time, in May of 2014, are we
21 holding some of Ms. May's payments she's been making in
22 suspense?

23 A We are.

24 Q Okay. And we haven't applied them yet. But on our books
25 is, she still considered having not made all the payments

1 necessary?

2 A That's correct.

3 Q It's our fault, right?

4 A It is.

5 Q But in our books, the way we looked at it at the time,
6 she's still considered -- there's payments, we have the money
7 there, but we haven't applied them?

8 A That's correct. This only addressed the \$5,000. It
9 doesn't address the payments we have not posted yet on her
10 behalf.

11 Q Okay. Then I'm going to ask Mr. Delany if he will --
12 that's why we say there -- before we do that, the last
13 sentence.

14 "We've also submitted the request to have the funds
15 advanced to bring the account due for October 1st, 2013,
16 pursuant to the ledger. The effective date of the correction
17 is April 28, 2014." Do you see that there?

18 A I do.

19 Q And we're saying we're fixing the 5,162, but you now owe
20 from October 1st forward; is that right?

21 A That's right.

22 Q And even though it's our error, that's because we're
23 holding some of the payments she's been making in suspense and
24 we don't -- we haven't applied them; is that fair?

25 A That's fair.

1 Q Okay. Now, let me ask you this before we move on. The
2 3,628 and the 1,534, when we say we credit her account, had we
3 previously paid that money to CitiFinancial way back when we
4 made this mistake?

5 A We did.

6 Q And are we taking the money, then, from us and paying it
7 on Ms. May's account to make -- to correct that in effect?

8 A We are using our own money. Previously we used the money
9 that came off Jeannie May's account to reimburse Citi, but in
10 this transaction we're using Nationstar's own money.

11 Q Okay. It's not a paper credit; it's real -- this is real
12 dollar credit because we charged her real dollars?

13 A That's correct.

14 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. Now, Mr. Delany, if you'll
15 bring us to Exhibit 114, Plaintiff's 114. So we have this in
16 the May. Now we go to 114. And if you'll blow up for us the
17 third paragraph beginning with "Additionally."

18 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Okay. So now we're into October. So
19 that was -- before it was May 2014. Now we're looking at
20 October 2014.

21 We write Ms. May and tell her, "Additionally, we show
22 that the funds that were remitted by check were placed in a
23 suspense forbearance account." Let me stop first.

24 Is that what we've just been talking about, we're
25 holding her payments in suspense?

1 A Yes. The forbearance account is monies that are owned by
2 the borrower until they are applied.

3 Q Okay. Why do we do that? When someone's behind and --
4 we say they're behind. She's not. But we say she's behind,
5 and she makes a payment. It seems to me counterintuitive we
6 don't put that payment and credit it; we put in suspense
7 account and hold it.

8 Why would we do that?

9 A Well, there's reasons you would do it. Some payments,
10 such as modification trials, are less than full payments. So
11 you would hold them in trial areas of suspense until they
12 completed the performance portion of a modification.

13 Other examples would be if customer paid \$20 short --
14 their mortgage payment was 800, and it was \$20 short. In
15 order to process a payment, you have to have the full payment
16 plus the full escrow to actually process the transaction.

17 If it's short, the only thing you can do is you can hold
18 it temporarily in an account that's their account as holding
19 area. And that money can only be used for their purposes
20 until such time as we have enough funds where we can go and
21 post the payments to the account.

22 Q Okay. Where does Nationstar get the right to do those
23 kinds of things? Is that found in the mortgage agreement that
24 the borrower would have with the investor to -- to do partial
25 payments, hold funds in suspense?

1 A I believe that's contained within the note and the
2 mortgage obligation that instructs the borrower that they have
3 to make full payments.

4 Q Okay. Now, let's go back here to our October letter we
5 sent her.

6 It then says, "Starting on September 25th, 2014, we show
7 that the account reflects payment adjustments and sweeps taken
8 from suspense and applied to delinquent outstanding
9 contractual payments. Once completed, the account was brought
10 to a current status with the last sweep payment occurring on
11 October 9th, 2014, leaving the account due for the
12 November 1st, 2014, contractual payment of the amount of
13 888.27."

14 Let me see if we can translate. Are we telling Ms. May
15 we've applied the payments we were holding, and now the only
16 thing you have due that you're current on is the next monthly
17 payment?

18 A That's correct.

19 Q Okay. And this is in October. So now we have our two
20 points, May of 2014 and October of 2014. And I'm going to now
21 go back to Plaintiff's Exhibit 53, the credit reporting.

22 I guess we're right in the middle when the credit
23 reporting incident, I'll call it, happens.

24 Is that fair for the timing?

25 A That's correct.

1 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. If you'll bring us back to 53
2 so we can now see, and you'll blow up for us the area there in
3 the blue?

4 MR. DELANY: The bottom?

5 MR. TILLOTSON: Yes. In the blue box. Thank you,
6 Keith.

7 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Okay. So now the 1 on the top line
8 there -- if you'll highlight for us the top line -- 6, 5, 4,
9 3, 2, 1 -- is the "1" April when we make the initial credit to
10 her account, bringing her to just, in our books, one month
11 behind?

12 A That's correct.

13 Q And then she starts going two months behind, three months
14 behind, four months behind.

15 Why is that happening? She's making her payments. Why,
16 on our books, is she being listed as behind?

17 A They're being held in suspense at that period of time, or
18 a payment could be being sent back to Ms. May.

19 Q Okay. And then this ends with six months behind in that,
20 I guess, July time period.

21 But in October, when we take all those payments and sweep
22 them in, what happens to this information?

23 A We effective date those payments back, and it basically
24 eliminates all the arrearage. And we do a retro on the credit
25 report, it was in October of 2014, that cleared all arrearages

1 throughout the entire period of time that Nationstar serviced
2 the loan. And it gave Ms. May the best rating possible.

3 Q Okay. I want to see those documents in a second, but
4 let's own up to what we did.

5 At least for the period of time we've looked at,
6 Nationstar inaccurately reported the credit information for
7 Ms. May?

8 A That's true.

9 Q Now, before we turn to assuring ourselves we've fixed it,
10 this issue where the Nationstar employee looked at it and said
11 my -- our records show she's 9 months behind; but, even more,
12 our records show she's 22 months behind and, in effect, makes
13 her credit rating worse.

14 What has happened at Nationstar to address that
15 particular situation so it won't happen again?

16 A Our policy was changed that, from a dispute such as this,
17 Nationstar will never make the dispute worse than what was
18 being requested from us even if circumstances show that
19 they're worse than what they were. We're not going to take a
20 dispute and agitate the dispute by making the situation worse.

21 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. Now, I want to bring up for us
22 Defendant's Exhibit -- it's Tab 106.

23 And while you bring that up, 106, Your Honor, I'm
24 going to approach. We have a binder of all of our exhibits
25 here, just to make it fast, all tabbed, if you want to see the

1 actual document.

2 THE COURT: Great. What exhibit are you referring
3 to? I'm sorry.

4 MR. TILLOTSON: I'm sorry, Your Honor. It's 106, but
5 it's 5B.

6 THE COURT: Thank you.

7 MR. TILLOTSON: 5B. BBBB. My paralegal did it by
8 tab, so it's a little easier to say for us. But it is Exhibit
9 BBBB.

10 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) So we've brought it up. You can see
11 it on the screen.

12 Is this the corrective form, the same form we looked
13 at for May but now the updated one we did in October?

14 A I just -- mine's a little bit blurry.

15 Q Let me approach if I may. I'll show you that copy.

16 Can you confirm for us that this is the same form as we
17 saw before, but the updated one, we send in October?

18 A Excuse me. There was a form that was generated as an
19 update to the credit report. It's in October of 2014. This
20 is the update from May of 2015.

21 Q Okay. So -- so we got May 2015, and we're going to go to
22 that in a second.

23 But is there an updated form like this that was done in
24 October that would have corrected the information?

25 A Yes.

1 Q Okay. And would we -- when we say "corrected," we would
2 have reported her as what for the entire period of time when
3 she came out of bankruptcy?

4 A We reported her current, absolutely current, since she
5 came out of bankruptcy through the given month.

6 MR. TILLOTSON: Now, Keith, if you'll blow up the
7 bottom part there.

8 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) I noticed the way we do it -- and I
9 know this is 2015 -- but we put zeros in meaning -- does that
10 mean she's current for that period of time?

11 A That's correct.

12 Q And if you keep going all the way back, you see these Ds.
13 What does D mean?

14 A D means that you didn't send any data for those months.

15 Q And why wouldn't we have sent any data for that month --
16 those months?

17 A Generally, in bankruptcy, you wouldn't send data because
18 a customer could be current in a pre-petition plan and current
19 in a post-petition plan. But, in reality, against the
20 original note itself, that doesn't get reconciled to total
21 current status until after both pre-petition and post-petition
22 funds have satisfied the time of the plan. And that could
23 take between three and five years.

24 But you do not -- you should not be reporting under the
25 bankruptcy plan because the borrower could -- is current in

1 the pre-petition and post-petition unless you filed a motion
2 for relief.

3 Q Okay. So, for clarity, what is the approximate date that
4 Nationstar corrected Ms. May's credit rating to remove any
5 negative information regarding anything that happened with our
6 errors and mistakes?

7 A It should have went all the way back to 2012. At the end
8 of 2012, that's about the period of time when the final
9 discharge happened.

10 Q And what's the date we, Nationstar, sent that information
11 to the bureau? Was that October of 2014?

12 A We sent the update, the total update, on October of 2014,
13 but it would have cleared reporting all the way back into --
14 into 2012, first part of 2013.

15 Q Okay. I'm now going to hand you what we've marked as
16 Defendant's Exhibit EEEEE. And I want to confirm and check
17 that what you're telling us is accurate, that we did fix her
18 credit report.

19 Is this an updated credit report from Ms. May.

20 A Yes.

21 Q If you'll look at the top page. Just blow up the
22 Equifax.

23 Are we looking at a credit report for Ms. May from the
24 first quarter of this year?

25 A On the second page, it doesn't have a Bates stamp, but it

1 has the open account: Nationstar Mortgage. Opened 3-1-2007.
2 \$90,192 balance. Date reported: 10-24-2014. Past due:
3 Zero. Status: Paid as agreed.

4 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. Keith, If you'll take us to
5 page 2, just so we can see what he was reading from. All
6 right. And if you'll blow up under the open accounts portion
7 there in the middle so we can see what we're reading.

8 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Is this the portion of Ms. May's
9 Equifax credit report that deals with us and the debt?

10 A It does.

11 Q Okay. And so we're listed there. The balance is listed.
12 And the status is what?

13 A The status is paid as agreed.

14 Q Okay. And if you'll go to the next page, page 3, for the
15 monthly portion of it.

16 MR. TILLOTSON: And you'll blow up the chart there
17 with all the green in it.

18 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Is this a month-by-month payment
19 history for it?

20 A It is.

21 Q And perhaps some people have seen a credit report, maybe
22 others haven't.

23 What is it we're looking at? What would this tell anyone
24 who's looking at her credit report for purposes of deciding
25 whether or not to extend her credit?

1 A She's paying as agreed the whole period -- the whole
2 time.

3 Q Okay. Now, and is that -- if we looked -- to the best of
4 your knowledge, if we looked at Nationstar's books and records
5 today, are we continuing to report her paid as agreed and
6 current?

7 A Yes. I reviewed her account before today's trial, and
8 it's -- it's reporting paid as agreed.

9 Q Okay. Now, I want to ask you about that. We're going to
10 get to some of the statements that were shown by the
11 Plaintiff's lawyers and some of the things that they said in
12 opening. We saw the May fixes, May 2014, and the October
13 fixes.

14 And since October has Nationstar, through you, undertaken
15 efforts to make sure there are no erroneous charges being
16 charged Ms. May?

17 A I personally did an audit last night. It took me quite a
18 few hours. And I went through every property inspection fee,
19 every legal fee, every bankruptcy fee that was ever on her
20 account.

21 And I reconciled it, I can tell the Court, as of today.
22 And I didn't have to do any reconciliation. My audit shows
23 that she was never charged any litigation costs associated
24 with this situation, and all fees have been reconciled at the
25 lender's expense.

1 Q Okay. And in connection with that, to assure the Jury
2 that what you're saying is accurate, were you asked to give
3 access to the most recent statement for Ms. May?

4 A I did.

5 Q Okay.

6 A And it was reconciled before last night.

7 MR. TILLOTSON: If I may approach.

8 THE COURT: You may.

9 MR. TILLOTSON: This is IIIII. Your Honor, you won't
10 find it on our exhibit list. It was added.

11 THE COURT: Got it.

12 MR. TILLOTSON: And I think there's no objection to
13 this being added, with their permission. Thank you for that.

14 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) We're looking at IIIII. We'll blow it
15 up in a second.

16 But is this -- is this a -- the current statement for
17 Ms. May?

18 A It is.

19 MR. TILLOTSON: Keith, if you'll blow up the top-hand
20 corner under the word "copy," where it says "amount due"
21 there, just so we can bring that up. This part right here.
22 Thank you.

23 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Okay. So the statement date is
24 November 3rd, the payment is due December 1st, and the amount
25 due is 875 -- 878.75; is that right?

1 A That's correct.

2 Q Okay. And there is nothing else due on her account
3 except her next monthly payment?

4 A That's correct.

5 Q Okay. Now, you're here on behalf of Nationstar. You
6 bind Nationstar with what you say here today.

7 Are you prepared under oath to commit to Ms. May and all
8 the people in here that there are no other charges that
9 Ms. May owes on this account except for her next monthly
10 payment?

11 A I can, and I personally did the audit myself to ensure
12 it.

13 Q Now, if you'll now go down the statement and look at
14 "lender-paid expenses," which is the second box down here.

15 MR. TILLOTSON: Blow that up. Okay.

16 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And we're going to talk some more
17 about this in a second, but what is a lender-paid expense?

18 A A lender-paid expense is generally an expenditure that --
19 the lender is billed from a third party, such as a property
20 inspection company. Say you hired an attorney to do a motion
21 for relief filing or a response back in bankruptcy in a court
22 proceeding.

23 As it compares to escrow, because people get confused
24 over the corporate advance versus escrow. Escrow is simply
25 homeowner's insurance, taxes, and mortgage insurance if your

1 loan has mortgage insurance on it. Any other fees that a
2 servicer would advance on behalf to the investor is to protect
3 the investor's interest in the property.

4 Q Okay. Now, I'm going to -- we're going to -- first
5 confirm for me that there are no lender-paid expenses owed by
6 Ms. May in any way, shape, or form according to this
7 statement.

8 A That's correct.

9 Q And if we went and looked on the books and records on the
10 computer system at Nationstar, would we find that same thing,
11 nothing owed?

12 A Nothing owed.

13 Q All right. I want to just for a moment -- since we've
14 talked about lender-paid expenses, I'm going to ask -- we'll
15 come back to this in a second.

16 MR. TILLOTSON: But I'm going to ask Mr. Delany if
17 he'll bring up for us what is Defendant's 67.

18 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And I want to find out just first
19 where you get -- where Nationstar gets the right, assuming
20 that it's -- they're correct, to charge lender-paid expenses.

21 Why does Nationstar from time to time charge
22 borrowers what are called lender-paid expenses?

23 A We're entitled to collect them based on the origination
24 contract, and it's language contained on the mortgage itself.

25 Q Okay. We have a copy here, which is Defendant's 000,

1 Defendant's 000, which is her mortgage. This was recorded, a
2 public document. It's an exhibit here in the case.

3 And is this where you get -- Nationstar would have the
4 ability or the right to charge her lender-paid expenses if we
5 wanted to or if we could from the -- from the mortgage or the
6 deed of trust?

7 A That's correct.

8 Q Okay. I'm going to go to a couple of pages in here on
9 lender-paid expenses and ask you about it.

10 MR. TILLOTSON: Keith, if you'll go to -- let's see.
11 First go to page 3.

12 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) So this is the deed of trust that
13 we're looking at for Ms. May. This is her actual -- the loan
14 that she started off with back in 2007?

15 A Correct. That's correct.

16 Q Okay. So let's just -- maybe some background since
17 Ms. May hasn't been on the stand yet.

18 But she gets a mortgage loan in April of 2007 from -- not
19 from Nationstar but from someone else.

20 Is that your general understanding?

21 A That's correct. It was with Cornerstone Mortgage.

22 Q Cornerstone.

23 And the amount of the mortgage was \$100,000?

24 A I don't know the exact amount, but it was approximately
25 around 100.

1 Q Okay. And the price of the home, do you remember, was
2 approximately \$100,000 too?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q Okay. So that's in 2007 and approximately -- it says
5 here March -- it was recorded on March 30th. So sometime in
6 March of 2007. Then she -- we'll -- I'm sure we'll know more
7 about this.

8 But she files for bankruptcy in November of 2007; is that
9 accurate to your recollection?

10 A That's accurate.

11 Q And then -- and during that time period, the rights to
12 service her account at some point are acquired by
13 CitiFinancial; is that accurate?

14 A That's accurate. Usually within 30 to 45 days.

15 Q Okay. Someone originates the loan and then sells it, and
16 someone gets the right to service those loans?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q And then, in 2010, Nationstar gets the right to service
19 her loan from CitiFinancial; is that correct?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q And we do that how? I mean, how do we acquire it?
22 What's the process? Do we get a contract? What do we do?

23 A We get a purchase agreement from CitiFinancial. But in
24 order to transfer servicing on a Fannie Mae loan, you have to
25 be on Fannie Mae's approved servicer list. And there's

1 generally compensation for the servicing that's given back to
2 Citi to do the servicing.

3 Loans have rights contained within the note and mortgage
4 themselves, but they also have securitization rights where
5 there are servicing revenues. So what we're passing on here
6 is the servicing rights, not the owner rights in that
7 transaction.

8 Q Okay. So the person -- not the person. The entity that
9 owns her loan, as we heard, is Fannie Mae; we're just
10 servicing her loan on behalf of or for Fannie Mae?

11 A That's correct.

12 Q Okay. Then -- so we're on our timeline now. We acquire
13 them in 2010. Ms. May comes out of bankruptcy.

14 She's discharged from her bankruptcy in the first part of
15 2013; is that correct?

16 A That's correct.

17 Q And then the problems and errors then start going forward
18 in 2013?

19 A That's correct.

20 Q Now, we're talking about lender-paid expenses and what
21 happened.

22 MR. TILLOTSON: I'm going to ask Mr. Delany, on the
23 mortgage here, the agreement between Ms. May and the lender,
24 if you'll take us to page 11 and blow up the first part of
25 paragraph 14 called "loan charges."

1 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And this is her agreement with the
2 people that loaned her the money; is that right?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q And when we service her loan, this is the agreement we're
5 servicing it under?

6 A Yeah. These rights would be able to be transferred to
7 the holder of the note.

8 Q Okay.

9 A So these rights are transferable.

10 MR. TILLOTSON: And, Keith, if you'll highlight the
11 first few sentences here.

12 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) It says, "Lender may charge borrower
13 fees for services performed in connection with the borrower's
14 default for purpose of protecting lender's interest in the
15 property and rights under this security interest including but
16 not limited to attorney's fees, property inspection, and
17 valuation fees." Do you see that?

18 A I do.

19 Q Okay. And so -- and I know it's not Ms. May, so I don't
20 want to put her in the mix.

21 But if a borrower goes into default and doesn't pay their
22 loan and we have to hire a lawyer to conduct a foreclosure, is
23 that a lender-paid expense that the mortgage agreement says
24 the borrower has to pay?

25 A It does. It is as long as you're in a state that allows

1 those fees to be collected --

2 Q Okay.

3 A -- in a situation of default. It's not in all states
4 that you can collect those fees.

5 Q Okay. So let's assume we're in a state that allows it.

6 But, for example, if a borrower is in default and we're
7 inspecting the property, is that a charge that we, as the
8 servicer, initially pay and then seek reimbursement from the
9 borrower?

10 A That's correct.

11 Q And is it because we have the right under the mortgage
12 agreement to do it?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q Not all borrowers pay those fees, I take it, because
15 they're in default and they're having trouble making their
16 payments?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q So now while we're on here, the property inspection that
19 went on, tell us why Nationstar would hire a property
20 inspector to go to a borrower's house that it believes is in
21 default and may result in foreclosure, why you would go there
22 almost perhaps even on a daily basis as you get close to
23 foreclosure.

24 What is it you guys are worried about that would make you
25 do this?

1 A When you're responsible for it from the government-backed
2 security entity -- that would be FHA, Freddie Mac, or Fannie
3 Mae -- you're really doing -- acting on their behalf, but
4 they're holding you accountable to watch this property. It
5 would be the same as if you hired a babysitter and had a
6 toddler, you expect your babysitter to monitor what's going on
7 there.

8 And at times it feels like maybe that's excessive, but
9 fires can happen in any day. Robberies can happen in any day.
10 Liability issues to the community can happen on any given day.

11 It costs between 15 and \$18 to do that visit. That's why
12 it's done. That's why the owner of the note requires it to be
13 done, and we have to comply with that.

14 Q We can look in here. It's on page 9 of this mortgage
15 agreement.

16 But does the agreement Ms. May signed and other borrowers
17 sign actually give the lender the right to inspect and go on
18 the property under certain circumstances?

19 A It does.

20 Q Now, to the best of your knowledge, that never happened
21 here with respect to Ms. May that someone went on her
22 property?

23 A I couldn't find any evidence that anyone actually went
24 into the -- onto her property.

25 Q But believing the loan was in -- was seriously

1 delinquent, Nationstar did conduct property -- or authorized
2 someone to conduct property inspections from the public roads?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q Did -- to the best of your knowledge, could you tell that
5 anyone at Nationstar knew or believed that Ms. May's loan was
6 not really delinquent or in default at the time the property
7 inspections were ordered?

8 A The individuals ordering the property inspections were
9 under the belief that the property was delinquent.

10 Q Now, I want to return, if we will, to IIIII, second to
11 last one, our most current statement.

12 Now, we saw -- and it was -- it was talked about both in
13 opening and we saw portions of your -- of your -- of your
14 deposition, but there was a statement before this one that you
15 were shown that had some lender-paid expenses on it.

16 Do you remember that in general?

17 A I do.

18 Q Okay. Now, first, let me -- let's -- let's just
19 establish a little background.

20 When a -- when a customer -- a borrower such as Ms. May
21 is in bankruptcy -- back when she was in bankruptcy -- do we
22 typically send them statements while they're in bankruptcy?

23 A We do not.

24 Q Okay. Tell us why you wouldn't send a statement to
25 someone while they're in bankruptcy.

1 A The statement would be very confusing. The reason it's
2 confusing is because the borrower and the courts and the
3 creditors have agreed to a repayment plan. The repayment plan
4 does not mirror the original documents that they signed at
5 closing.

6 The plan has proposals in it that, through an extended
7 period of time, arrearages will be caught up, everything will
8 be adjusted, and there's a projected date three to five years
9 out on a Chapter 13 that says, on this date, we will be
10 totally reinstated, which means we should have a mirror of
11 what the contract was originally supposed to be at that
12 amortization point in time and the plan has fully funded and
13 now they match. But in that five-year period of time, they
14 don't match.

15 Q Okay. Now, when a borrower goes into litigation, like in
16 this particular case where Ms. May filed suit, what's
17 Nationstar's policy regarding sending them statements while
18 they're in litigation?

19 A We -- we generally do not send statements while in
20 litigation.

21 Q Why would that be?

22 A Because you have disputes that are going on, and most
23 likely parts of the disputes are contained in information
24 being disclosed in the statement. So you don't want to be
25 asking for -- you don't want to be asking the borrower or the

1 customer to be sending you money that is under dispute.

2 Q Now, in this particular case, if Ms. May, the borrower,
3 requested to be sent a statement, even though we're in
4 litigation, did we, in fact, send her statements as she
5 requested?

6 A I believe we gave her access. I think she's got access,
7 and I'm just -- based on my knowledge of our transaction
8 journal, I think she has online access that she can go in and
9 access her account and make payments on it online.

10 Q Okay. So, now, we have the most current statement
11 showing all she owes is the December payment. I'm going to
12 ask Mr. Delany if he'll bring up for us Plaintiff's Exhibit
13 27. That was the statement you were shown in your deposition.

14 MR. TILLOTSON: And if you'll first blow up the top
15 part just so we can see what the date is.

16 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) This is Plaintiff's Exhibit 27, and
17 it's a statement for April 3rd, 2015. Do you see that?

18 A I do.

19 Q And do you generally remember this was the statement that
20 you were shown in your deposition?

21 A I do.

22 Q And are you aware this is the statement the Plaintiff's
23 lawyers were referring to in opening when they said Nationstar
24 was charging Ms. May for the legal fees in this case? Do you
25 remember that?

1 A I remember.

2 Q First, let's address that directly. Is that true? Have
3 we ever, Nationstar, charged the Plaintiff for the legal fees
4 Nationstar is incurring in defending itself in this case?

5 A We've never -- we've never accepted funds from Ms. May
6 and applied them to legal fees or property inspections.

7 Q Okay. I'm going to be more specific.

8 You know I'm Nationstar's lawyer here in this case,
9 correct?

10 A I understand.

11 Q And you know Ms. Breihan, who's with the firm of Bryan
12 Cave -- we're at different firms -- you know she's a lawyer
13 for Nationstar in this case, and you know we're charging you.
14 You can say it under oath. I'll get that acknowledgment.

15 You know you're being charged for legal fees in this
16 case, correct?

17 A I understand.

18 Q And in any way, shape, or form, are those legal fees --
19 have they ever been put on a statement or on our books and
20 records as some way being charged to or owed by or accountable
21 in any way as Ms. May's responsibility?

22 A No.

23 Q Are they handled by different cost centers even within
24 Nationstar?

25 A They are.

1 Q So if there was the implication or the -- the allegation
2 that somehow in this statement we're about to look at that
3 it's -- you're trying to make Ms. May pay for the legal fees
4 in this case? Is that in any way true?

5 A Sorry. Repeat the question one more time.

6 Q If the implication is somehow Nationstar is trying to
7 make Ms. May pay for the legal fees that Nationstar is
8 incurring in this case, is that in any way true?

9 A That is not true.

10 Q All right. Now, let's go and see what the statement
11 itself says there at the bottom.

12 MR. TILLOTSON: If you'll blow up for us "lender-paid
13 expenses."

14 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) All right. It does say -- will you
15 agree with me -- now, whereas the November one, it says 0, 0,
16 0, 0. In this one it says 0 for legal fees but a total of
17 1,225, and it list property inspections, for total of 1,624.
18 Do you see that?

19 A I do.

20 Q Now, first, confirm for us, although it's listed in
21 lender-paid expense summary, is there anything in this
22 statement that says Ms. May owes this amount?

23 A There is nothing in the statement that says that she owes
24 that.

25 Q All right. If you'll go back to the top part for the

1 amount due in the statement.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: Keith, if you'll blow up the amount
3 due. Yeah, that box up there. Thank you.

4 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) It shows she's due for the monthly
5 payment for the next month for June; is that right?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q She's actually paid a month ahead, from what I can tell,
8 is that -- is that right, if the statement date is April 3rd
9 and she's not due until June?

10 A For this statement, she is paid ahead.

11 Q Okay. And anywhere on here -- the Jury is going to get
12 to see it. It's Plaintiff's Exhibit 27.

13 And anywhere on this statement, does it list her as
14 having past-due amounts or owing amounts related to those
15 lender-paid expenses that are in the box over here?

16 A No.

17 Q All right. Now, where -- explain to us why -- she
18 doesn't owe it. We're not asking her to pay it.

19 Why are those lender-paid expenses on this statement, and
20 where did they come from?

21 A They came from the foreclosure and the bankruptcy fees
22 that were on the account at the time. They should have been
23 removed at the time that the bankruptcy was finally discharged
24 and the customer was to return to normal statements. It
25 shouldn't have been on there. It shouldn't have been on any

1 statement after that.

2 It was, but when we reconciled it -- you do see it on
3 this one that it's there, but it specifically says
4 "lender-paid." It doesn't say "borrower owed."

5 And if I'm a person looking at my statement, the first
6 thing I always look at on my Sprint bill is what is the amount
7 that I owe.

8 Q Okay.

9 A It has other information on the back three or four pages,
10 but I always look for what are they asking me to pay, am I
11 concerned that that seems to be right or that's not right. In
12 this case it's very straightforward. It's principal and
13 interest and escrow. It's asking for nothing more.

14 Q Does this statement list her in any way as having
15 past-due amounts owed or delinquent amounts owed related to
16 any lender-paid expenses?

17 A It does not.

18 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. Now, go down -- just one last
19 thing while we're on this, if you'll blow up the bottom box
20 right here for us.

21 MR. DELANY: There?

22 MR. TILLOTSON: Yes.

23 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) It looks like that there are efforts
24 being made on this statement to, if you will, clear out old
25 expenses. Is that what we're looking at here?

1 A You are.

2 Q Okay. So tell us -- explain to the Jury what's happening
3 here on this statement. What's going on in our books and
4 records with respect to Ms. May's account?

5 A This is just the reconciling, the same as what I've done
6 last night, reconciling all the expenditures on the account --

7 Q Okay.

8 A -- and adjusting it accordingly to see if the statement
9 is reading correctly.

10 Q It looks like legal fees of 368 on April 3rd and then
11 subtracted out as an adjustment miscellaneous expense. Do you
12 see that?

13 A That's removing it.

14 Q Okay. So why are we putting expenses on and then taking
15 them off of this statement on the transaction activity?

16 A You have to do both transactions. The same as if you
17 have a bankruptcy trustee disbursement, you have to show the
18 trustee's disbursement. You have to enter into a suspense
19 that it was received from the trustee. Then you have to post
20 it out of suspense as a payment to the customer's account. It
21 requires two transactions.

22 Same here. You're showing that you had a fee of legal.
23 We're taking it off the account with our own money so that
24 we're removing that footprint. But we are identifying it,
25 that we paid it. It was -- it existed, and we removed it.

1 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. Now I'm going to ask
2 Mr. Delany if he'll go to page 2. Actually, I think it's page
3 3, but there was a -- page 4. There was a listing here
4 that -- it showed on your videotaped deposition, look at all
5 the transactions. You can just blow up a section of it so we
6 can see what we're looking at.

7 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Did you take a look at this? I know
8 in your deposition you hadn't seen it before you were asked
9 questions, but did you take a look at this since then?

10 A Yes, I did.

11 Q And have you made an effort to go through all of those,
12 to reconcile them, and to ensure that Ms. May is not and
13 hasn't been charged any of those expenses?

14 A I did.

15 Q And have you literally done the work to go through all of
16 them to satisfy yourself?

17 A I did it pencil to paper, double-checked my work. And it
18 reconciles to zero monies that she paid. It was all cleared
19 out off the account with Nationstar's funds.

20 Q Okay. Now I'm finished with the statements. So I'm
21 going to turn to --

22 MR. HUMPHREYS: Counsel, would you show the entire --
23 all the transaction activity? That's only about half of it.
24 There you go.

25 MR. TILLOTSON: The Jury will get to see the whole

1 thing. So, yeah, you can blow the whole thing up.

2 MR. HUMPHREYS: I think that's fine.

3 MR. TILLOTSON: Sure.

4 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) So there's no -- I mean, we're not
5 trying -- did you go through each one of those and manually
6 try and reconcile to make sure she hasn't been charged and
7 know what they are?

8 A What I did was I went through and identified the items
9 that were on the corporate-advanced side. I went through and
10 picked out all properties inspections, legal fees, motion for
11 relief filings, publication fees, anything that had to do with
12 a corporate advance that would be an unrecoverable item in a
13 bankruptcy. And I reconciled that she was never charged. And
14 I'm sure that they were cleared, but they were already cleared
15 before my audit last night.

16 Q Okay. But the legal fees that we see on here in the
17 amounts of like \$368 and others, is it your understanding
18 those are legal fees that were related to the foreclosure
19 Nationstar started in the December 2013 to January 2014 time
20 period?

21 A That's correct.

22 Q Okay. And had Ms. May been actually in default -- she
23 was not -- but had she and we had to have gone through with
24 that foreclosure, those legal fees are properly chargeable to
25 the borrower; is that fair?

1 A If you're in a state that allows that.

2 Q Not in this case because we weren't supposed to be doing
3 what we were doing.

4 But, in general, that's why they would wind up on a
5 transaction like this?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q Okay. Now, you have told us under oath that she's
8 current and she owes no other fees or expenses -- Ms. May
9 does; is that right?

10 A I have.

11 Q Okay. And I want to ask you now to -- to -- how we can
12 confirm in the future if there's problems, questions, or
13 issues by Ms. May with this account --

14 A Well, we also confirmed it --

15 Q -- how we can make sure we can deal with that.

16 A We adjusted the credit report also.

17 Q Okay. And the credit report.

18 Have I -- I'm going to approach you with Exhibit JJJJJ
19 and let you take a look at that.

20 Have I accurately put your name, your information, your
21 cell phone, and your business card on there?

22 A That's correct.

23 Q Okay. Is that -- is that your personal cell phone?

24 A That's my personal cell phone.

25 Q Now, this is now an exhibit into evidence into this

1 trial. It is a public record.

2 Are you comfortable with that?

3 A I'm very comfortable with that.

4 Q Here's my question: If Ms. May has any problems from the
5 moment this case is over, or any questions, does she have your
6 explicit permission to call you directly at work or on your
7 cell phone?

8 A She can call me seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

9 Q Can she email you at any time if she has any questions?

10 A She can.

11 Q Will you pledge to this Jury, in response to my question,
12 to be as responsive as you can to any questions?

13 A I will. And I generally give that to all customers that
14 I encounter, that they can have access to me 24/7.

15 Q That's my next question: To anyone who sees the public
16 proceedings in this case or sees the exhibits or the record
17 and has access to your phone number who is unhappy or feeling
18 Nationstar is not listening to them, do they have your
19 explicit permission to call you and raise those issues?

20 A Absolutely.

21 Q And will you now, in response to my question, say if such
22 thing happens, you will be as responsive as possible to answer
23 those questions from borrowers?

24 A Absolutely.

25 Q Okay. I want to turn now to some other issues that you

1 were asked about in some additional matters.

2 There was the -- you were asked some questions and -- and
3 it seems that the -- the Plaintiff's lawyers are -- one of the
4 things they're saying about Nationstar -- you're Nationstar --
5 is that we're being cheap and we're not spending the money
6 necessary to get the job done right.

7 Do you remember being asked some questions about costs
8 and expenses yesterday in your testimony?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And you were shown an exhibit about modifications, and I
11 think it's been suggested to the ladies and gentlemen of the
12 Jury that -- that Nationstar benefits if its customers are
13 doing bad and doing delinquent and we get more money, and
14 that's why we're pushing modifications and other things. And
15 I want to address those allegations with you from some
16 testimony.

17 Now, first, confirm for me. If a borrower becomes
18 seriously delinquent and we have to foreclose on their home,
19 does Nationstar make money off that foreclosure? Is that a
20 profit-making endeavor for Nationstar?

21 A Absolutely not.

22 Q Do we lose money in effect on that?

23 A You lose money.

24 Q Is there any policy you're aware of -- stated, unwritten,
25 suggested -- at Nationstar that encourages or allows

1 Nationstar to push for foreclosure of any borrower?

2 A Sorry. Repeat that question.

3 Q I want to know directly if there's anything at Nationstar
4 going on where Nationstar is encouraging some of the people we
5 heard on the phone and others to push borrowers towards
6 foreclosure?

7 A The only time that you would push a borrower to
8 foreclosure is if you had intervening liens on a property and
9 the borrower's intentions were to not -- they couldn't afford
10 it under a modification and we couldn't do a deed in lieu or a
11 short sale because of the intervening liens. We would work
12 with the borrower and allow them to stay in the property as
13 long as possible, which would include up until the foreclosure
14 date, and offer them assistance for relocation. In addition
15 to that, we would give them a deficiency waiver so that they
16 could start their life fresh.

17 That's the only time you would recommend that they do
18 that because they can't afford a mod and you cannot do any
19 other loss mitigation workouts, but you're still offering them
20 an option of additional time in the property and that
21 Nationstar will not be asking them for any deficiencies
22 regarding the foreclosure action. In addition to that, we,
23 almost 100 percent of the time, give customers cash for
24 relocation.

25 Q You testified yesterday -- you mentioned the Nationstar

1 services about two and a half million loans.

2 Is that generally right?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q And so, without getting into too much detail, I'm
5 assuming, out of the large pool of loans Nationstar services,
6 there are a number of people who are truly behind in their
7 loans and headed towards default?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q Okay. And with respect to those individuals, what is
10 Nationstar's goal -- stated goal and policy about that group
11 much borrowers who, for whatever circumstances, are having
12 trouble meeting their mortgage obligation? What does
13 Nationstar try to do?

14 A Our goal and our obligation to the borrowers and
15 customers in those cases is to get them financial assistance
16 as soon as possible, as often as possible; to get whatever
17 approval authorities and modifications that the investors
18 have.

19 We service different investors. So some of the investors
20 have liberal modification plans, and others don't offer --
21 very little modification plans. But we have workouts for
22 every borrower.

23 Our obligation is to share that information, expedite
24 their situation. A win for us is avoiding a foreclosure,
25 affordable payments to the customer that puts them in a better

1 situation because then they'll perform better and they'll give
2 us better response when people interview them or do a survey.

3 Our goal is to keep them in the property, they are up to
4 date on the property, they're satisfied with Nationstar's
5 servicers and their efforts when they were in default, and can
6 tell others about the company that we are and what we're
7 trying to become.

8 Q Okay. We're going to talk some more about modifications,
9 but I want to bring up --

10 MR. TILLOTSON: If Mr. Delany will bring up for us
11 Plaintiff's Exhibit 215.

12 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) This was the document that you were
13 shown yesterday by opposing counsel. I'm going to show the
14 first page.

15 But, just to confirm for me, this is a document filed
16 by Nationstar with the Securities and Exchange Commission
17 identifying and giving certain information to the public; is
18 that your general understanding?

19 A I understand, yes.

20 Q And you understand this document is filed by Nationstar
21 under oath, meaning they're stating under oath that the
22 information in here is -- is correct and accurate to the best
23 of their knowledge?

24 A I understand.

25 Q Okay. I'm going to ask you to turn -- Mr. Delany to turn

1 to page 24. You were shown some charts and some footnotes
2 about modification fees and whatnot, but I'm going to take you
3 to page 24.

4 MR. TILLOTSON: And if you'll highlight for us the
5 2014 highlights, Keith, in the first few bullet points.

6 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) I want to address this issue that
7 somehow Nationstar and what happened to Ms. May was because
8 Nationstar has a financial interest in pushing her to being
9 delinquent or default or foreclosure.

10 This part here is our 2014 highlights, which are
11 where we say overall 2014 was a successful year. Do you see
12 that?

13 A I do.

14 Q And picking up with the second sentence, it says, "We
15 exit the year as one of the strongest nonbank residential
16 servicers, well positioned to service our customers and grow
17 our corporate operations. Some of the major highlights for
18 2014 include . . ."

19 And I'm going to get to them, but would you at least --
20 it looks like these are the things Nationstar is bragging
21 about, saying, "Look, these are highlights."

22 A That's correct.

23 Q Okay. I want to focus on the second bullet point, which
24 says, "Our delinquency rate, measured as loans that are 60 or
25 more days behind in payments, declined to 9.9 percent from

1 11.8 percent at the start of the year." Do you see that?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Is that saying, from 2013 to 2014, we were able to get
4 more people current, less delinquents and more currents?

5 A That's correct.

6 Q And that's a highlight, a positive thing we're telling
7 the public?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q Now, is that financially beneficial to us as a company to
10 have people more current in terms of the revenue we might
11 make?

12 A Absolutely.

13 Q Explain to the Jury why that's better for Nationstar to
14 have people current than to have them delinquent or headed
15 towards foreclosure.

16 A Because on a foreclosure action the amount of costs that
17 you have -- you have to advance on behalf of the investor is
18 out of your own pocket. And some -- example, some states can
19 take up to three years to do a foreclosure. And during that
20 period of time, you could be paying taxes, insurance. It
21 could be abandoned property. You have to do upkeep on the
22 property. You're paying all the insurance, the HOA fines.

23 And at the end of all that -- and you have depreciation
24 on the house -- then you sell it. You're trying to then,
25 after you sell it, to get whatever value you can to give back

1 to the investor.

2 In a lot of the foreclosures, the servicer is not
3 reimbursed for a certain period of time. Say, for instance,
4 in Missouri, it says you have to complete a foreclosure --
5 from default to the end is 12 months, and Nationstar takes 24
6 months. Nationstar has to fund the 12 additional months
7 before foreclosure themselves. We're not reimbursed. So
8 every foreclosure is really a significant loss of money.

9 And the other part to that is late charges accumulate.
10 Fees accumulate. Most foreclosures, you don't recover that.
11 That's not recoverable. You never get a check to offset late
12 charges and attorney fees and things like that. So it becomes
13 really a loss to your ledger.

14 The revenue side of your ledger is customers who pay
15 well, they pay with little or no cost of intervention. They
16 go on the Internet. We don't have to bill them. They pay as
17 agreed. We send their 1098s out. The cost is very low.

18 As we keep the portfolio, the bulk of that portfolio
19 current, it's more profitable to Nationstar. The investors --
20 that's what they want us to do.

21 They also recognize, within that portfolio, you have
22 defaulted customers. They want us to get that default
23 identified as quickly as possible, get financial packages out
24 to the borrowers, evaluate them for something that will make
25 their situation better, or talk to them about a short sale,

1 talk to them deed in lieu. Some customers' end result is
2 better if they can find cheaper housing.

3 We also recognize -- we give them cash if they need
4 relocation assistance and weigh the deficiencies so, when they
5 move on in their lives, they don't have a credit rating
6 chasing them, they don't have a credit agency chasing them.

7 So we have options to try to move both things within an
8 expedited time period, but we're driven -- our successes are
9 measured by customer service, the opinions of what our
10 customers have about us, how many customers we prevent from
11 foreclosure, and how we're improving our procedures.

12 Servicers have to improve. It's a tough economy out
13 there. There's a lot of law changes. You have to adapt and
14 improve every day to deliver the service you want for your
15 customer.

16 Q If you'll look at third bullet point, one of the 2014
17 highlights was "Nationstar launched and enhanced customer
18 feedback portal that allows customers to provide reviews and
19 provides them another avenue to communicate issues and have
20 them resolved timely." Do you see that?

21 A I do.

22 Q Were you aware of that initiative in 2014?

23 A I was.

24 Q And is that another mechanism for customers now to
25 communicate with Nationstar and raise complaints?

1 A Yes. We want to know what our customers think of us.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: All right. Now, I want to move down
3 to -- Keith, if you'll get us to the next paragraph, which is
4 the 2015 initiatives. If you'll blow up -- that's fine.

5 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) This is -- this document was -- is for
6 this year. So I know we're almost to the end of 2015, but
7 these were the initiatives. And it's called "Customer for
8 Life."

9 It says, "Our principal customers include current
10 homeowners, home buyers, and home sellers. Their satisfaction
11 is our top proprietary, and we remain committed to continuous
12 improvement and service delivery." Let me stop there.

13 Do you agree with that? Is that true?

14 A That's true.

15 Q Is your job -- do you feel your job, in part, is
16 dedicated to making sure that statement is true for
17 Nationstar?

18 A Absolutely.

19 Q Now, I want to find out why that's good for us other than
20 happy customers.

21 The document goes on to say, "Most of our customers did
22 not initially choose us as their preferred service provider.
23 However, we intend to deliver our services in a manner such
24 that they select us as their service provider when they choose
25 to purchase or refinance their home."

1 Now, let's translate that. Ms. May did not come to you
2 initially for the loan; you acquired the servicing rights for
3 her loan in the middle of the life of the loan?

4 A That's correct.

5 Q If I'm reading this right, it's saying you, Nationstar,
6 better do a great job for her because, when she wants to
7 refinance her home, you hope she'll pick you rather than
8 someone else.

9 Have I got that right?

10 A Or if she decides to buy a new home, we hope that she
11 would select us.

12 Q And as it turns out, you've heard the statements of
13 counsel that, as she came from bankruptcy, she was thinking
14 about selling her home and buying a new one. Do you remember
15 hearing that?

16 A I remember.

17 Q And so it wouldn't be -- would it have been in
18 Nationstar's interest to do what it did, which was to, I
19 think, irreparably sully your reputation in front of this
20 particular customer so, when she wants to refi or buy a new
21 home, you're not in the game?

22 A Sorry. Repeat that last one.

23 Q Yeah. Did -- is what you're trying to avoid, which is
24 having good customer service, is to avoid what happened here,
25 which is a particular borrower now may want to refinance or

1 buy a new home and she doesn't want to deal you.

2 That's what you're trying to avoid?

3 A Yes. I recognize I've lost Ms. May. There's no way I'm
4 going to be able to get her back, but I can make a difference
5 taking her situation into the future and learn from the
6 situation so that I don't lose Jeannie May customer -- or a
7 customer like Jeannie May in the future.

8 Q Okay. So one of the suggestions that we don't care or
9 we're not listening or we're trying to push people towards
10 unpleasant experiences through default or whatever, is it, in
11 fact, Nationstar's policy to try and have the best service
12 possible so we can retain those customers if they refi or buy
13 a new home?

14 A That's correct.

15 Q Now, you also say down here a few other things I'm going
16 to cover, which is "Providing customers with a positive
17 experience should translate into improved financial results."

18 And so at Nationstar treating customers right or trying
19 to -- to address their issues not just because it's good
20 customer service, but is it financially beneficial to
21 Nationstar to do it?

22 A It is.

23 Q Okay. One of the things says it increases the value of
24 our servicing portfolio.

25 And then if you'll look down to -- to bullet point 3,

1 "Improves our standing with investors, including the GSEs and
2 Ginnie Maes, increasing our opportunity to selectively acquire
3 additional portfolios."

4 A That's correct.

5 Q And does that mean, if we do a great job, people like
6 Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, Ginnie Mae, these big investors that
7 have lots of loans, will want to do more business with us and
8 allow us to service more of their loans?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q Okay. Now, just a couple of things in this.

11 MR. TILLOTSON: If you'll now go down and blow up for
12 us the first sentence beginning with "For 2015," the next two
13 paragraphs.

14 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) We say, "For 2015, we are focused on
15 multiple initiatives that can be grouped into customer
16 service, increased transparency, and continued investment in
17 technology initiatives that ultimately better serve and
18 empower the customer." Do you see that?

19 A I do.

20 Q Now, on service quality it says, "For each of the
21 services we deliver, the first interaction many customers have
22 is with our customer service representatives." Is that
23 accurate?

24 A That's accurate.

25 Q And it says, "Our employees are the cornerstone to the

1 customer experience. We have and will continue to spend
2 significant resources in training and properly incenting our
3 employees." Do you see that?

4 A I do.

5 Q Now, they're talking about the individuals we saw in the
6 videotapes here that dealt with Ms. May on the phone. Do you
7 remember that?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Does Nationstar spend significant resources training
10 those employees and helping them try and be better?

11 A We do.

12 Q Since you've been at Nationstar, over the last couple of
13 years -- so this incident took place in 2013, 2014, we're now
14 in 2015.

15 To your knowledge, has Nationstar ever cut or decreased
16 the training budget for those people, those individuals during
17 that three-year time period?

18 A No. It has increased every year.

19 Q To your knowledge and what you've seen, is Nationstar
20 skimping in any way, not training or working with its people
21 because of cost issues?

22 A No. We're adding more resources and additional training
23 every year that I've been there. Every year since 2002, we've
24 increased our training.

25 Q Okay. It says, "Second, for each complaint received, we

1 perform a root-cause analysis that results in updates to our
2 service delivery protocols as well as our quality assurance
3 programs with the goal of eliminating repeat complaints." Do
4 you see that?

5 A I do.

6 Q Is that true?

7 A That's true.

8 Q Are you part of the process of looking for the root cause
9 of complaints?

10 A I am.

11 Q And were you tasked with looking for the root cause in
12 this particular case?

13 A I was.

14 Q And, to the best of your ability, have you sought to
15 correct whatever the problems were with Ms. May's account?

16 A Every -- every problem that I identified, I addressed.

17 Q And have you sought to take or -- or deal with steps at
18 Nationstar so that, hopefully, complaints like this won't
19 happen in the future?

20 A I have.

21 Q We're going to address those in a minute, but let me just
22 do the third one here.

23 It says, "Third, for 2015, we will tie more incentive
24 compensation to measurements that directly correlate to the
25 quality of services delivered, such as customer complaints and

1 recapture." Do you see that?

2 A I do.

3 Q Are you aware of changes in the incentive compensation
4 how you pay people who are doing the things we've seen here in
5 this courtroom, so that it more closely correlates and
6 improves them -- correlates and incentivizes them to improve
7 the service they're giving?

8 A It's already implemented.

9 Q What are the kinds of things you're doing now that -- so
10 you're paying people so that they are motivated to give better
11 customer service and find and correct problems?

12 A Every quarter, we have management slides that we share
13 with all our teams of how improved we have become on handling
14 complaints. We've had a 25 percent improvement in complaints
15 over the prior year.

16 When we have changes, we have -- every Wednesday, we
17 have -- everybody that's within a team has a meeting with
18 their manager and their vice president to go over any changes
19 in processes or procedures that would improve the customer
20 experience with Nationstar.

21 Q And are people today at Nationstar -- does their
22 compensation for the ones we've seen turn or at least be
23 influenced in part on how well they give the customer service
24 and how well they do that?

25 A Absolutely.

1 Q All right. Now, that's in general. We've talked about
2 the general things that Nationstar is doing. I want to
3 talk -- turn now to the specifics of this case. But, first,
4 before we do that, we've talked about Ms. May's account being
5 in bankruptcy, and I want to address some issues with respect
6 to that.

7 When a borrower is in bankruptcy, does that make it more
8 complex for Nationstar to do the servicing?

9 A It does make it extremely complex.

10 Q Tell us why a borrower going into bankruptcy makes it
11 harder or more complex for Nationstar to do its job?

12 A I'll try not to be long-winded. I'll try to recognize
13 the Court's time here.

14 But bankruptcy has -- a customer has defaulted. They
15 seek Court's involvement. The amount of the default period of
16 time -- if it's 1 month, 10 months, 6 months -- that section
17 of the bankruptcy is called pre-petition, and that's the
18 section that -- you take that arrearage, and you spread it
19 over years. So you're basically taking six months worth of
20 missed payments and spreading that over a repayment plan of
21 five years.

22 At the same time, the borrower has to begin at a certain
23 point in time to make post-petition payments so you're not
24 falling further behind. And it would be very easy if that's
25 all it was, but it's more complicated than that.

1 You have loans that have escrows. Escrows change when
2 taxes get raised or homeowner's insurances gets raised. So
3 within that time period they're in bankruptcy, you have to
4 give notifications to the Court so that the Court can adjust
5 the payments for the increases into the escrow.

6 And if there's a default, that can even make it more
7 complex because now you have to enter in with an attorney and
8 readjust your accounting and tell the Court that the customer
9 has failed to make pre-petition payments or post-petition
10 payments, and that adds a layer of complexity.

11 Irregardless, servicers have to get this right. We're
12 the professionals. It's hard. A lot of things in life are
13 hard. It's complicated. It doesn't give us a free pass.

14 We have to understand the laws. We have to know what
15 we're doing. We have to comply with the courts. We have to
16 do our audits. That's what we are holding our accountability
17 for. I'm just telling you it's not easy. But we have to get
18 it right, and we have to get it right every time.

19 Q Okay. Now, in connection with your testimony here, did I
20 provide you with a series of excerpts of exhibits which are
21 Plaintiff's 176 through 213?

22 I have them up here. I'll give them to you in a second.

23 But do you remember seeing a series of exhibits which
24 were some of the policies and procedures regarding how
25 Nationstar services loans in bankruptcy and coming out of

1 bankruptcy?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay. And if we went through all the pages and looked at
4 it, would we see specific directions and training on how to
5 handle various bankruptcy matters, accounts in bankruptcy, and
6 how to handle the various issues that happen?

7 A That's correct.

8 Q Okay. And I obviously don't want to go through all of
9 them, and I'll give you a copy of it. But, I mean, if we were
10 to look at the manuals and see, you know, would it contain
11 screens and instructions about how to handle various things
12 that happen in bankruptcy?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q Is there training at Nationstar for people when
15 customers, borrowers are in bankruptcy, how to handle their
16 accounts and service them properly?

17 A There is. It's extensive.

18 Q And now, when they're in bankruptcy -- when they come out
19 of bankruptcy, called discharge from bankruptcy, are there
20 also in here policies and procedures for how to handle that?

21 A Yes. For your -- notices or notice of final cure are
22 deemed current notices.

23 Q Okay. Now let's talk about Ms. May. While Ms. May was
24 in bankruptcy -- and, by the way, have we -- to the best of
25 your knowledge, have we made and produced in this case all of

1 the policies and procedures I've been talking about? Do you
2 understand they've been made available to the Plaintiffs and
3 are exhibits now in this trial?

4 A They are.

5 Q Now, let's talk about Ms. May. While she was in
6 bankruptcy -- and we'll relate it to then the events that
7 happened here today.

8 While she was in bankruptcy, she was making her payments,
9 did there come a period where while in bankruptcy for whatever
10 reasons she fell behind and wasn't making the payments she was
11 supposed to make in bankruptcy?

12 A That's correct.

13 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. I'm going to ask Mr. Delany if
14 he'll bring up for us -- it's our G, Keith, which is 7, page
15 16.

16 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Okay. We have here one of the
17 exhibits in the case, which is some of the bankruptcy
18 documents, and we have a chart here.

19 Do you recognize this chart that was in connection
20 with her bankruptcy that was listing the payments she was
21 making in bankruptcy?

22 A Yes, this is --

23 Q Is that what we're looking at?

24 A This is the post-petition ledger. This would be relating
25 to payments that she would be making outside the pre-petition.

1 These would be just normal months outside the arrearage
2 months.

3 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. And, Keith, if you'll blow up
4 the bottom part right there for us.

5 THE COURT: I'm sorry. What exhibit is this?

6 MR. TILLOTSON: G, Your Honor. I apologize. One G.

7 THE COURT: I have G as a fax from Plaintiffs to
8 Nationstar.

9 MR. TILLOTSON: Your Honor, I apologize. It is a
10 fax. It includes her bankruptcy documents that she sent us.

11 THE COURT: Got it.

12 MR. TILLOTSON: I thought that was the easiest way to
13 show it.

14 THE COURT: Fair enough. Thank you.

15 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Now, this is a listing of the payments
16 she's making, but does this show that in approximately --

17 MR. TILLOTSON: Oh, Keith, if you'll go up just a few
18 more months.

19 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) It looks like while she's in
20 bankruptcy she -- she has a payment -- let's just say
21 July 1st, 2010, and then that's made on August 13th. Her
22 August payment is made on September 10th; September 1 payment
23 on October 12th. And so on.

24 And so her November payment for 2010, she makes, it
25 looks like, in March of 2011 and then doesn't make

1 approximately five payments. Do you see that?

2 A Right. Right. The -- the inside column is the dates
3 that she's paying for the months on the first column.

4 Q Okay. And so then she, for whatever reasons -- and I'm
5 not -- she gets behind in the bankruptcy and has to make a
6 catch-up payment or what? What would happen if a borrower
7 such as Ms. May or any borrower who's in bankruptcy didn't
8 make the payments according to their plan?

9 A Nationstar can file for a motion for relief for default
10 of the post-petition payments. The Court would review it and
11 either propose another plan that might be able to address that
12 default, or the Court could grant the servicer on behalf of
13 the lender the motion for relief --

14 Q Okay.

15 A -- which would then remove it from the bankruptcy
16 protection.

17 Q And in this particular case, Nationstar filed a motion
18 for relief because she had not made the payments in the plan,
19 are you aware of that, back in 2010?

20 A I am aware of that.

21 Q And so, if granted, there was the possibility that
22 Nationstar could avail itself of the remedies, such as
23 foreclosure, even though she's in bankruptcy because she's
24 not, in the bankruptcy court's eyes, complying with the plan.

25 Is that generally correct?

1 A Well, just -- just so you know, on a procedure basis, if
2 you file for a motion for relief, that doesn't -- the next
3 step is not foreclosure under a Fannie Mae loan. She then
4 gets -- after that, she gets Fannie Mae's streamlined
5 modification approvals.

6 Q Okay.

7 A So she gets -- it's just that there are offers of help
8 outside of bankruptcy. The next step is not to just file for
9 foreclosure. You go into loss mitigation after that.

10 Q I understand. And then are you aware in general -- it's
11 been talked about in one of the exhibits shown in opening by
12 the Plaintiff's lawyers that Ms. May, in fact, paid all the
13 amounts due in the amount of about \$4,600 during this time
14 period in 2011, brought current?

15 A Yeah. I was very impressed. You don't see a lot of
16 borrowers that do that performance. That was impressive.

17 Q And then, from there on, she made the rest of her
18 payments in her plan and was discharged from bankruptcy in
19 January of 2013.

20 A That's correct.

21 Q So now let's connect the events here and what happens
22 later on. When the Jury has seen faxes and heard Ms. May
23 telling our people and sent us information that "I paid the
24 4,600. I paid the payments I hadn't made," she's actually
25 referring to this incident here; is that your understanding?

1 She's telling us, "You guys think I never made those
2 payments," and she keeps sending us the check that she says
3 she made. Do you remember that?

4 A Yes and no.

5 Q Okay.

6 A I think there was more confusion. There was that part of
7 the confusion, and there was confusion that the payments that
8 was missed were right before that transaction in March of
9 2013.

10 Q Okay.

11 A So it's a combination of misunderstanding, that check and
12 what the transaction was.

13 Q Not her fault. Our mistake.

14 But just so we understand some of the things that have
15 been said, when she's talking about having made a \$4,600
16 payment, she's referring to this particular situation here?

17 A Yeah. Not her fault, but that's what she's --

18 Q Okay.

19 A That's what she's saying to us.

20 Q Now, when she comes out of bankruptcy, in your review of
21 the files, you said she wasn't -- she hadn't been getting
22 statements.

23 Did, to your knowledge, Ms. May request to start
24 receiving statements once she'd come out of bankruptcy?

25 A She did. I thought it was February of 2012.

1 Q Okay. I have for you the collection notes, which I'd
2 like just to briefly talk about which -- I'll give you your
3 copies, but we've referred to --

4 MR. TILLOTSON: If you'll bring up for us Exhibit A,
5 Keith, which is Tab 1.

6 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Both sides have been using a printout
7 of what are called the collection notes; is that right?

8 MR. TILLOTSON: And if you'll just blow up the top
9 part here so we can see it.

10 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And this is a printout of the
11 interaction on the account with Ms. May; is that fair?

12 A That's the communication logs that would be between
13 departments and Ms. May.

14 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. And, Keith, if you'll now
15 bring us a few entries in so we can see.

16 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) We've been talking about and looking
17 at screens. This is what -- some form of this may be what
18 people at Nationstar would be looking at; is that accurate?

19 A I'm trying to see what you brought up in the screen.

20 Q Well, we -- yeah, I'm sorry. I was trying to do it in a
21 simplified way.

22 We've heard people -- some of the individuals on the
23 phone saying, on my screen or what I'm showing, you owe
24 certain amounts. What is it that they're looking at?

25 A They're looking at the very top of the screen.

1 Q Okay.

2 A Above that, above what you're boxing.

3 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. So hold on. If you'll blow up
4 the very top of this.

5 THE WITNESS: Very top.

6 MR. DELANY: Very top?

7 MR. HUMPHREYS: Yeah. Sorry.

8 THE WITNESS: That Section.

9 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Okay. And that would show the
10 information, what payments are due -- over there at the
11 right-hand -- and when it's due; is that right?

12 A That's right.

13 Q Now, if you would scroll down through all this, those
14 would be the notes someone could look at to see any
15 back-and-forth on the account; is that correct?

16 A Yes. That would include notes. You would see certain
17 transactions if a late fee was assessed or waived.

18 Q Okay.

19 A You would see if letters were dropped, things like that.
20 It's communications, including letters and other notations and
21 certain system-generated comments.

22 MR. TILLOTSON: All right. Now, if you'll blow up
23 maybe the first five or six of the entries.

24 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) You had testified in your deposition
25 about the -- the individuals we saw on the phone. I think

1 they're called foreclosure and prevention specialists. Do you
2 remember the testimony and the recordings we heard from that?

3 A They're foreclosure prevention specialists.

4 Q Okay. And what -- you had talked about what they could
5 see on their screen.

6 When you load and bring up this, one of those
7 individuals, you could see all of the notes or, depending upon
8 how you brought it up, you may only see what are known as the
9 collection notes. Is that generally correct?

10 A That's generally correct.

11 Q Okay. So on the very far left-hand column, the CL, CS,
12 and CA, does that designate what kind of note it is?

13 A That's correct. The CL would be anyone in default. CS
14 would be customer service. Other notations could be
15 bankruptcy, or research could show up in that area also.

16 Q Okay. Now, explain for us, because it was in your
17 deposition, but I want to be clear.

18 When you were saying that the individuals talking to
19 Ms. May on the phone were only looking at certain notes, what
20 were the notes they were looking at or had access to?

21 A It depends on if they were headed in their queue -- like,
22 certain representatives, they were on a dialer. If the dialer
23 fed them, the account automated into their screens -- in the
24 dialer world, it makes contact with the borrower. And as soon
25 as you pick up with the borrower, it pops up the screen with

1 that account.

2 Q Okay.

3 A And if the dialer has been filtered to only bring up
4 collection history, you're not going to see any -- any entries
5 that were entered by the bankruptcy department, customer
6 service, or the research group, or customer relations group.
7 You can access them easily, but the first visual, if it hasn't
8 been swept that way, you're only going to see what the
9 communications were most likely by people within your
10 department.

11 Q Okay. So -- and we'll get to it, I think, maybe a few
12 minutes after lunch.

13 But if there was a note from research or a note from
14 bankruptcy but the people we heard on the phone had only
15 brought up the collection notes, they wouldn't be seeing those
16 notes necessarily?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q Now, they have the ability to see them; is that -- is
19 that correct?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q And when you investigated this situation, did you ask the
22 individuals we saw on the videotapes why they didn't look at
23 or get access to those notes?

24 A I did.

25 Q And what did they tell you?

1 A They said they didn't know how to access those notations
2 from research and bankruptcy.

3 Q And -- and did that surprise you?

4 A I was very surprised.

5 Q Did you correct them and train them on the right way to
6 bring up all the notes in the system for the future?

7 A I brought them to my desk. This was in my office. I
8 brought up my computer, and I showed them the two key punches
9 you have to do. And there it was.

10 And then I brought up the note. If they would have saw
11 that note, would it have changed how they would have handled
12 that account for Ms. May at that time? They said,
13 "Absolutely. I would have been able to give a much different
14 response. I didn't know how to access that particular
15 notation in the system."

16 Q Okay. Now, does Nationstar train people to know, when
17 they bring up this information, they're getting the CLs, the
18 CSs, the CA notes, all the notes? Do you tell how they can
19 get access to these as part of the training?

20 A Everyone that works for me knows how to do it. So what I
21 did was I called her manager. Her manager says, "I know how
22 to do that. I wasn't aware she didn't know how to do that."

23 And I said, "Validate with everyone on your team." I
24 called the vice president of that group.

25 And I got the same responses that "We know how to do

1 that."

2 I said, "Double-check everybody in your team because I
3 have two -- three employees that are exposed that say they
4 don't know how to do that transaction." So I made sure
5 everyone in that department refreshed that training that I
6 just gave those two employees because I wanted to ensure that
7 I didn't have employees out talking to customers like Ms. May
8 that wouldn't know how to access critical information that
9 could resolve a situation in one phone call rather than how it
10 kind of festered for the length of period of time.

11 That's also very embarrassing in how long until we
12 finally got it resolved.

13 Q Okay. Final question on this subject, and then we'll
14 move on.

15 Are you assured, as the vice president, the person
16 responsible for finding the root cause of what happened here
17 and correcting it, through the actions you've done, that the
18 problem we've just identified, which is there may be some
19 people on the phone that haven't fully loaded all of the notes
20 so they can see all the history, that that problem -- we've
21 taken adequate measures to solve it so it doesn't happen in
22 the future?

23 A I'm taking an additional active measure that our system
24 doesn't default that, that it gives every employee all the
25 notes automatically so they don't have to go through a

1 procedure to go get the information. I think we've evolved to
2 a point in the complexities of mortgage servicing that I want
3 all employees to be able to access important information that
4 might be necessary so that Mrs. May doesn't -- Ms. May's
5 account haven't that lack of knowledge from our employees
6 happen again.

7 Q Thank you.

8 A So I'm going to have it automated.

9 MR. TILLOTSON: I'm going to move to another
10 document, Your Honor. So the Court may --

11 THE COURT: Yeah, we'll break for lunch.

12 Okay, folks, again, you are instructed not to discuss
13 the case. Don't form or express any opinions about the case.
14 Don't let anyone discuss the case in your presence. We'll
15 begin back at 1:15. Okay.

16 (The following proceedings were held outside the hearing
17 and presence of the Jury.)

18 THE COURT: Can I make a quick record? Could I ask
19 the lawyers to step around for a second? Thank you. Can the
20 lawyers kind of come up here? I don't want to do a side bar,
21 but I don't want to scream this out in front of everybody in
22 the world. Let's just go over here. We're going to lose a
23 juror on Friday. The juror has expressed information to the
24 clerk that the juror's daughter, who is pregnant, was supposed
25 to have the baby sometime down the line, and they just found

1 out yesterday that they're going to induce labor on Friday.
2 It's the lady's first baby, so the juror obviously wants to be
3 there. I just wanted to let you know. I've told Carol to
4 tell that juror that if we're here Friday, she's gone. I just
5 wanted to let you know. Okay.

6 (Court recessed for lunch from 12:06 p.m. until 1:15p.m.)

7 (The following proceedings were held within the hearing
8 and presence of the Jury.)

9 THE COURT: Okay. You can take the stand again, sir.
10 Thank you.

11 MR. TILLOTSON: May I proceed, Your Honor?

12 THE COURT: You may. I'm sorry.

13 MR. TILLOTSON: Thank you. No problem.

14 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Mr. Loll, welcome back. I want to now
15 turn to the specifics of Ms. May's accounts and go through
16 some of the issues that took place. Right before we left off,
17 we had -- you had testified that Ms. May was discharged from
18 bankruptcy in January of 2013.

19 At the time, had she completed all of her obligations
20 in connection with the bankruptcy?

21 A That's correct.

22 Q Made all her payments?

23 A That's correct.

24 Q Now, you had mentioned that, when people are in
25 bankruptcy, they don't receive statements.

1 Did there come a time, to your knowledge, in reviewing
2 this file where Ms. May, having come out of bankruptcy,
3 requested Nationstar start sending her statements?

4 A There -- there was. It was almost immediately at or
5 about the time that the bankruptcy was finalized.

6 Q Okay. I'm going to ask Mr. Delany if he'll bring up for
7 us Exhibit A and go to page 8.

8 And while he does that, I'm going to hand you your copy
9 of that exhibit so you have it handy. All right. It'll be up
10 here on the screen as well.

11 Are we looking again at the collection notes that we've
12 been talking about?

13 A Yes, we're looking at the collection history profile.

14 Q Okay. If you'll go to page 8 -- and if you will blow up
15 for us the second -- right there for us. Okay.

16 And this, as you see it there on the screen, it's the
17 February 25th, 2013, entry that says, "Talked to MRS." Do you
18 see that on the screen?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Okay. And MRS is Ms. May, who you're referring to in the
21 notes?

22 A That's correct.

23 Q It says, "Called to get info on monthly statements. I
24 advised her once the BK" -- I assume that's bankruptcy -- "has
25 been terminated in our system, she will start receiving

1 monthly statements." Do you see that?

2 A I do.

3 Q Translate that for us. What are our folks telling

4 Ms. May about when she can get monthly statements?

5 A Once the bankruptcy is finalized and she's no longer
6 under the jurisdiction of the trustee or the bankruptcy court
7 and they issue the final order of discharge, at that time, the
8 notice of final cure has been -- all parties have agreed to
9 that. At that time, she would begin to make her first
10 payments post-bankruptcy directly to us, and our records would
11 then -- should truly reflect the situation of being current
12 coming out of those plans.

13 Q Okay. Now, when she comes out of bankruptcy and
14 Nationstar is going to send her a statement, what is
15 Nationstar supposed to do before sending her a statement about
16 what the current status of her account is once she's come out
17 of bankruptcy?

18 A Once she comes out of bankruptcy and they notice a final
19 cure, that hearing or that notice has been complied to,
20 Nationstar has a responsibility to review the account and to
21 make any necessary adjustments as it relates to the rules
22 under the bankruptcy.

23 Examples would be to remove any uncoverable expenses that
24 would still be remaining on the account after bankruptcy --

25 Q Okay.

1 A -- and do an appropriate escrow analysis if it wasn't
2 already done in the bankruptcy so that the customer would be
3 on solid footing going forward because the bankruptcy -- the
4 powers of the bankruptcy would no longer be behind her. She
5 would be basically like every other customer who's in a
6 general servicing at Nationstar.

7 Q Okay. Now, I'm going to ask Mr. Delany if he'll bring up
8 Defendant's Exhibit FF, which is Tab 32. FF, tab 32. And
9 I'll hand you a version here.

10 Are we looking at the March 11th statement? We just saw
11 a late February entry, her asking for statements.

12 Did we generate this March 11th, 2013, statement?

13 A It's a statement that's generated in March, but it's for
14 April 1st billing cycle.

15 Q Okay. But is this essentially the first statement after
16 she's requested statements that we would be sending her, to
17 your knowledge?

18 A Yes. The timing of this would be -- this would be her
19 first statement.

20 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. Now, Keith, if you'll take us
21 down to the main page and you will blow up for us the amount
22 due explanation there on the left-hand corner.

23 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) You can see we have principal and
24 interest due, escrow amount due for a total monthly payment.
25 But we also have lender-paid expenses.

1 And then we add the two of those up to say the amount
2 due was the total of the lender-paid expenses and principal in
3 escrow. Do you see that?

4 A I see that.

5 Q Now, that's different from some of the statements we saw
6 that were shown at your deposition where we don't add those
7 together.

8 But, here, would you at least agree with me the statement
9 is definitely telling Ms. May she owes those lender-paid
10 expenses?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Is that erroneous?

13 A Yes, it's incorrect.

14 Q How did that happen?

15 A I don't know specifically how it happened, but the
16 procedure that should have happened before that statement was
17 generated is the bankruptcy department has to complete an
18 audit. And it's in our policies and procedures to clear out
19 any nonrecoverable fees.

20 These were nonrecoverable fees that were not cleared out;
21 and, therefore, they populated into the statement. And they
22 populated in the area of the statement giving a customer a
23 directive that that was the amount that they owed.

24 Q Okay. Now, we've seen the final statement.

25 But this amount that we sought and told her she owed, did

1 we ultimately fix that, credit her for it?

2 A We did.

3 Q And, to your knowledge, did she ever pay this amount?

4 A No.

5 Q All right. Now, at the same time, around this time
6 period, I want to bring your attention to the second issue
7 we've talked about.

8 During the March 2013 time period, was another error made
9 on Ms. May's account, to your knowledge?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Okay. First -- and I know we've heard a little bit about
12 it, but we haven't really given you a chance just to answer an
13 open questioning about it.

14 What was the error that was made in the late March 2013
15 time period?

16 A There was an adjustment made that affected multiple
17 accounts based on a reconciliation from a 2008 bulk payment
18 made by a trustee that had -- I'm going by memory. Maybe
19 seven or eight customers were in that bulk payment under
20 Citi's servicing of the loan.

21 And in the correspondent email was a discussion that
22 those accounts had to be re-audited and adjustments made based
23 on overpayment.

24 Q All right. I'm going to ask you --

25 A Not to every customer but overpayment base -- from a

1 trustee.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. I'm going to ask Mr. Delany if
3 he'll bring up for us Exhibit FFFFFF, Tab 110.

4 That's five Fs, Your Honor.

5 THE COURT: Thank you.

6 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Which, if it was a paper, that would
7 be our grade, as we're about to get into.

8 Now, do you recognize this email from your
9 investigation in trying to figure out what the root cause of
10 the problem was?

11 A I do.

12 MR. TILLOTSON: All right. I'm going to ask
13 Mr. Delany if he'll go to page 2 there at the bottom with the
14 email that's addressed to Vanessa, Matt Baxter.

15 This part right here, Keith, if you'll blow that up
16 for us, in this email chain. Okay.

17 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And this is from Matt Baxter at
18 Nationstar, who is sending it to Vanessa Dauterive.

19 And she's where? Do you know? Is she with us, or is
20 she with Citi?

21 A I'd have to look at another email. I thought she was
22 with Citi, but I would have to see the other email --

23 Q Okay.

24 A -- on a signature. But I thought Vanessa was with Citi.

25 Q I'm going to represent to you -- we'll see it in a

1 second. But just if you'll go with me, she's from Citi, and
2 I'll show you in a second.

3 But Matt Baxter from Nationstar says, "Vanessa, I have
4 attached a bulk check that was sent to Citi on 10-27-2008 for
5 \$5,769.02 from trustee, John LaBarge, Jr."

6 Now, I had mentioned in opening, but in the bankruptcy
7 process for people like Ms. May and others, are payments made
8 through the trustee at times?

9 A They are.

10 Q That means Ms. May pays the trustee and the trustee pays
11 us?

12 A In most cases, only on pre-petition basis; but in some
13 cases, the trustee will handle both pre-petition as well as
14 post-petition. Ms. May was -- the trustee was handling the
15 pre-petition. Ms. May was handling the post-petition directly
16 to the servicer.

17 Q Got it. And then does the trustee, in your experience,
18 sometimes have several of those payments and then make a bulk
19 payment and it would be applied to several accounts?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q All right. So this says, "In the check, \$51 was supposed
22 to go towards Jeannie K. May's loan number and gives it, but
23 I'm not seeing this was ever applied to the loan. Can you
24 please check to see if these funds were misapplied to a
25 different loan?" Do you see that?

1 Is what's being said here that a bulk payment was being
2 made and we're not sure Ms. May got her credit for the bulk
3 payment?

4 A That's correct.

5 Q All right. So it starts off, if you will, in an effort
6 to see if Ms. May might have a \$51 credit coming to her
7 account?

8 A She had a \$51 credit coming to her account. All monies
9 were applied on Jeanne Hoyt's account.

10 Q Okay. We're going to get to that.

11 MR. TILLOTSON: If you'll now go to the first page.
12 If you'll blow up this part right here. Okay. I'm sorry. If
13 you'll -- if you'll go up. First item, page 1. Right here.
14 Get some of the names. Okay.

15 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) So now this is -- there's a response
16 email in here, and we say --

17 There you go. Yeah, that's fine. Thank you.

18 It says, "Good afternoon, Matt. I was finally able
19 to get this issue straightened out. On 11-05-08, the entirety
20 of this trustee's check was mistakenly posted to the client
21 Jeanne K. Hoyt's account. Please see below. This client
22 accounts was service-released to Nationstar on November 1st,
23 2010, without the error being caught prior to the release.
24 Therefore, Nationstar has the full 5,769 for this check on
25 this client's loan. Investigating further. 606 of the check

1 is due Nationstar while 5,162 is due back to CitiMortgage."

2 Do you see that?

3 A I do.

4 Q Now, it sounds like the bulk payment that was made was
5 not allocated among all the people's accounts including
6 Ms. May but instead was all put on Ms. Hoyt's account?

7 A That's correct.

8 Q And it sounds like this happened before we got the loans.

9 A This happened --

10 Q This was not our mistake; this was someone else's
11 mistake, but we're now being told, "You got the loans with
12 this mistake in it and we have to undo it"?

13 A It was applied in November 5th of 2008.

14 Q Okay. And the end result --

15 MR. TILLOTSON: If we go to the bottom, page 2 of
16 this email, the -- a little further down, Keith. Keep going.
17 Keep going. Perfect.

18 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) This email ends with saying we have to
19 give back Citi 5,162, we keep 606, send them a check.

20 And you can see now Vanessa works for CitiMortgage.

21 Do you see that?

22 A I do.

23 Q In the department called Iowa Cash. Okay.

24 Did we send CitiMortgage a check for \$5,162.46?

25 A We did.

1 Q And to now credit that or address it, we're supposed to
2 take 5,162 out of Ms. Hoyt's account, the second name listed
3 right there above Drew. Do you see that?

4 A Yes.

5 Q But instead we do what?

6 A Well, if I can interject. We were never supposed to even
7 pull it off of Jeanne Hoyt's account under procedure. We
8 should have just paid the amount directly from acquisitions.
9 We shouldn't have changed any seasoning of anybody's accounts
10 at that particular point in time even though the error was
11 associated with Jeanne Hoyt's.

12 What did happen, even though the directive was for that
13 account, we erred by taking the monies off of Jeannie May's
14 account at \$5,162.46, but we should have never even taken it
15 off Jeanne Hoyt's account even under that circumstance.

16 Q Okay. Let's talk about who the people are. Matt Baxter
17 and Ms. Dauterive at CitiMortgage -- are these two individuals
18 that are in essentially the bankruptcy departments at their
19 respective organizations, to your knowledge?

20 A I know Matt Baxter was. It looks like Vanessa is
21 technical support. I did work for CitiFinancial at one time,
22 but I don't recognize that title as necessarily a bankruptcy
23 employee. It most likely is, but I cannot confirm based on
24 that signature.

25 Q Now, you had testified earlier that when we acquire all

1 these loans, we're pursuant to contracts between us and
2 CitiMortgage. Was it appropriate for Mr. Baxter to be having
3 discussions with the CitiMortgage person about refunding
4 monies back and forth and debiting anyone's account as a
5 result? Should that have been going on?

6 A It was okay that they had the conversation to identify
7 the root cause. It was not okay to make the decisions on how
8 they were going to address it.

9 Q Now, just before I asked you about what we've done about
10 it, the actual debiting this to Ms. May's account instead of
11 Ms. Hoyt's, to the best of your ability through investigation,
12 was that the result of human error?

13 A It was.

14 Q And all of the investigatory you work -- I mean, this
15 starts the biggest part of the problem that we didn't see; is
16 that fair -- I mean, this mistake here?

17 A That's the root cause of what puts into motion other
18 chain events.

19 Q Did you see anything in your investigation in talking to
20 people and looking at the emails and documents that suggested
21 in any way there was any maliciousness or intentional effort
22 to -- to wrongfully debit Ms. May's account, that we didn't
23 care or we were just trying to get some money out of someone?
24 Did you see anything that suggested Nationstar was acting
25 improperly in that way?

1 A No. The individuals I talked to were very upset that
2 they missed it.

3 Q Now, you've said it was okay for -- for Ms. Dauterive and
4 Mr. Baxter to be talking.

5 Have you implemented any policies or procedures at
6 Nationstar to ensure that what happened here likely won't
7 happen in the future on other accounts --

8 A I have.

9 Q -- with respect to this issue?

10 What have you done?

11 A They can still have that conversation, but to do the
12 accounting transaction would require a vice president's
13 approval within those departments. So you would have -- one
14 of these employees would have to write a cash request offer to
15 the vice president.

16 The vice presidents are much more involved in the
17 acquisitions area. They would have looked at the account,
18 realized how old from 2008 this was. And it would have been
19 very straightforward and obvious.

20 We're not going to adjust individual's accounts that can
21 affect 1098 reportings that much in the way of amortizations.
22 We are simply going to just cut a check to reconcile it and
23 then look at the contract we had with Citi. And if Citi
24 didn't catch their own error within a certain period of time,
25 Citi would have to just reconcile themselves with their own

1 checkbook.

2 Q So in the future, if something like this happens,
3 although mistakes do happen apparently, it will be the
4 particular borrower who won't wind up having to deal with it;
5 Citi and us would just simply resolve it through our
6 contractual relations and either us or them would pay for some
7 portion of it instead.

8 A That's correct. I mean, when we reconciled this, we
9 didn't use Jeanne Hoyt's money to reconcile it even though
10 that's what was identified. We used our own money. Jeanne
11 Hoyt's money was always left on her account.

12 Q Okay. Now, let's complete the circle here. So we know
13 we wrongfully debited Ms. May's account. We put into place
14 procedures so this won't happen in the future. And if there's
15 issues like this, we'll just pay for it.

16 Did Nationstar ever go to or access Ms. Hoyt's account
17 and attempt to get back any of the money at issue here?

18 A We did not. She benefited by that transaction error,
19 but -- and my opinion and the legal opinion was the monies had
20 been seasoned. We were going to cause more harm by reversing
21 that off and having to give the appropriate disclosures. And
22 the right thing to do was just simply write the check, not
23 adjust anyone's account.

24 Q Okay. Now, I want to turn back to Exhibit A, which are
25 the collection notes and go to page 10. I want to see --

1 we've identified the mistake, and now I want to see where it
2 is in the collection notes.

3 MR. TILLOTSON: And if you'll blow up for us the
4 middle one, which is the 327, Keith.

5 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And he'll blow it up for you.

6 Here's a collection note on 3-27, which says,
7 "Previous service adjustment completed to tran history. Funds
8 in amount of 5,769 were applied on 11-05 to trustee." And it
9 kind of goes through there. It says, "While the loan was
10 serviced by Citi, 5,162 were misapplied to this account and
11 had to be refunded to Citi. Adjustment as completed to
12 reverse payments made." Do you see that?

13 A I do.

14 Q And we're looking at -- this is the account history for
15 Ms. May's account, and a note is put on her account showing
16 what we did; is that right?

17 A That's right.

18 Q Okay. Now, later on -- so while we are here, when our
19 individuals who were talking to Ms. May on the phone, they're
20 looking at their computer screen.

21 Is it your understanding, from your investigation, that
22 they didn't load these particular notes when they were looking
23 at it?

24 A That was entered by customer service. So if they would
25 have had their note search engine open to all communications

1 from all departments, they would have saw it. If it was
2 defaulting just for the collections notes, they would not have
3 saw that note.

4 Q Okay. So depending upon how they loaded it, someone
5 might have seen this note or might not have seen this note?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q Okay. And we're going to get to that in a second.

8 But for today, now at Nationstar, when they load it, this
9 particular note would come up. They wouldn't have the option
10 not to do it. You're going to -- that's the new way going
11 forward for Nationstar?

12 A As of today, everyone has the training to do it. What's
13 still left out on the table is that we're going to automate
14 it. We are going to remove the obstacle that the system sorts
15 notes. We're going to set it to a default. It populates all
16 notations from all departments that can be read by all
17 employees.

18 Q Okay. Now, I want to now ask you a couple of questions
19 about Ms. May's involvement in this.

20 We know because we've heard and we've seen that, when
21 Ms. May is notified through her statement that she owes what
22 is effectively this money, she complains to Nationstar. Do
23 you remember that?

24 A Yes.

25 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. And, Mr. Delany, if you'll

1 bring up for us Exhibit W and Tab 23.

2 Q (By Mr. Wallace) And this is the statement -- if you'll
3 blow up the time frame there.

4 This would be the statement, 4-18, which would be for
5 May 1st. And this would be approximately the first statement
6 after we did our adjustment to her account on 3-27; is that
7 right?

8 A That's correct. That's going to pick up transaction
9 history prior to April 18th for 30 days. So that's going
10 to -- that's going to capture the 3-27-2013 transactions.

11 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. And, Keith, if you'll now
12 bring up the amount due explanation right here. That's fine.

13 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Here, the amounts that we were
14 charging her for that we had debited now show up as past-due
15 payments along with the original mistake of \$2,097 and now
16 giving her more than 8,000 in past due. Is that -- do I have
17 that right?

18 A That's correct.

19 Q And you'll -- I mean, straight up, this is -- this is an
20 error and should have never been charged her?

21 A That's absolutely correct.

22 Q Now, I didn't see -- and I think you've testified --
23 prior to Nationstar doing, this debiting her account, we did
24 not send her a letter telling her what we were doing.
25 Instead, she gets this in the mail. Is that accurate?

1 A She gets the statement in the mail. It's the only item
2 that is giving her disclosure.

3 Q Okay. But in your review -- and you've talked about
4 whether or not we told her and what we told her.

5 In your review of the collection notes and the other
6 documents in this case, have you seen indication that someone
7 at Nationstar discussed with Ms. May where some of these
8 amounts due came from and told her at least in part about the
9 CitiFinancial error?

10 A I did.

11 Q Okay. We're going to go back to Exhibit A, which is the
12 collection notes. And I'm going to direct your attention to
13 page 18.

14 MR. TILLOTSON: And, Keith, if you'll bring up for us
15 the entry -- the third from the bottom, the big one there,
16 which is 427. Okay.

17 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Okay. So we saw a statement dated
18 April 11th. We're now at April 27th. So it's about a month
19 after we made this -- this error, and there's a note there.
20 First, it's a CL note there.

21 That's a collection note?

22 A Just a moment. That's correct. That's a -- that's a
23 collections communication.

24 Q And it says C. Destin.

25 Do you know who that is -- which individual that is?

1 A I don't know off the top of my head.

2 Q Now, we've heard some recordings -- and I'll get into
3 that in a second.

4 But is every call at Nationstar we have recorded?

5 A No, it's not.

6 Q And so we have some recordings but not all of them
7 depending on how the particular call was made?

8 A Yeah. There's a formula that you'd have to understand
9 that -- why some calls are recorded and some calls are not.

10 Q Okay. So it says here in the note, "Talked to Ms. May.
11 Ms. May called about foreclosure letter she received and that
12 funds were misapplied to her account in an amount of 5,162.49
13 that were returned by Nationstar and were also reversed from
14 borrower account, which is now in a delinquent amount and five
15 payments behind." Do you see that?

16 A I do.

17 Q And, in your investigation, what does that tell you about
18 that note? What's being talked about with Ms. May and our
19 individual, C. Destin?

20 A That, to me, is the root cause of what's causing the
21 arrearage that's showing up in the statement other than the
22 \$2,000 of nonrecoverable fees that are showing up on the
23 billing statement.

24 Q Okay. And, by the way, when we debit her 5,162, it makes
25 her -- at least in our books, she goes delinquent for five

1 months.

2 You basically say, "All right. If I take 5,162 and I
3 subtract it, it means you owe me five more months of
4 payments," and that's why she's showing up five months
5 delinquent?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q Okay. It's confusing, would you agree, because she --
8 people might think it's because you didn't make payments.

9 But the reality is we took off a big chunk that makes the
10 payments; is that correct?

11 A That's correct.

12 Q Now, at least this particular individual at Nationstar,
13 whoever they were, had seen or had access to the note that we
14 saw that explained why the account erroneously -- why the
15 account was being debited; is that fair?

16 A That's fair.

17 Q Now, I want to also bring to your attention Defendant's
18 Exhibit M -- Defendant's Exhibit M, which is Tab 13. And this
19 is one of the recordings that we heard that was played, but I
20 want to direct your attention to a specific department -- a
21 specific portion of it for you to see.

22 And I know you've had a chance to review this, so let me
23 direct your attention on to page 4. And there at the bottom
24 of page 4, Ms. May, she says -- and this -- just so we are
25 oriented, this is from April 30th. So we looked at the note

1 that was the 27th, April 27th, and now we're to April 30th.

2 And Ms. May says to us, "So this last time I called, I
3 was told that CitiMortgage misapplied funds in 2008. They
4 then sold the loan to you guys in 2010 and made you pay" -- if
5 you'll go to the next page up at the top for us a little
6 further -- "made you pay them back those misapplied funds.
7 And that now -- that's what I'm being charged for, which you
8 cannot do because I've made all payments." Do you see that?

9 A I do.

10 Q Okay. So, in your review, was there some indication that
11 Nationstar on April 27th had told Ms. May what the problem
12 was, why her account was being debited for this amount?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Because it's -- she's got it -- I mean, if the
15 explanation there with CitiMortgage is pretty close to what
16 actually happened, as erroneous as it is -- and she's telling
17 us it's erroneous -- but somehow our individual was able to
18 tell her what the particular issue was?

19 A That's correct.

20 Q Okay. And then one last one, which is -- I'm going to
21 show you -- which is Plaintiff's Exhibit 13.

22 MR. TILLOTSON: Plaintiff's Exhibit 13. Blow up the
23 middle paragraph for us.

24 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) This is an email from Ms. May to
25 Caroline Agyeman. And she was, I believe, the first person we

1 saw or heard on videotape.

2 I think you know her -- or you interviewed her as
3 part of your investigation?

4 A Yes, I did. I interviewed her.

5 Q Okay. And she -- this email is sent on April 30th. And
6 in this email, Ms. May tells Nationstar, "This past Saturday,
7 I received a certified letter that is giving me a payment
8 deadline of May 24th, at which point they will begin to take
9 legal action that may result in foreclosure. So I contacted
10 Nationstar again by phone and tried to explain I'm current on
11 all payments.

12 "This time I was given yet another story where these
13 charges came from. The Nationstar representative told me that
14 CitiMortgage had misapplied payments in 2008, and when they
15 sold the loan to Nationstar in 2010, they made Nationstar pay
16 them for those misapplied payments.

17 "When I asked him how an accounting error that occurred
18 between two companies was my responsibility since I had made
19 all my payments to both companies, he referred me to the
20 bankruptcy department which was unavailable." Do you see
21 that?

22 A Yes.

23 Q So, in your investigation, is she referring to someone at
24 Citi -- someone at Nationstar who told her why we were
25 debiting her account?

1 A Yes.

2 Q Okay. Now, she's saying it's wrong, but she says in here
3 that "I don't know why an accounting error that occurred
4 between you and Citi" is her responsibility. And she's right.

5 In the future, if this happens in the way in which it
6 happened here, will it ever be a borrower's responsibility
7 based on the directives you've given?

8 A It would never be the borrower's responsibility.

9 Q Okay. Now, in connection with the phone call on
10 April 30th -- if you'll go back to -- to Exhibit M for us,
11 which is 13. I'm going to take you to page -- I don't know if
12 you remember this call, and I know you listened to them for
13 your investigation. You also sat here in the courtroom and
14 listened to them.

15 But do you remember Ms. Agyeman telling Ms. May --
16 Ms. May explaining she doesn't owe this amount of money, we're
17 wrong, and Ms. Agyeman puts her on hold and says, "I'm going
18 to go talk to my manager."

19 And I have here, if you'll go to page 9 for us, the
20 specific portion where Ms. Agyeman says, "I'm going to get" --
21 blow up the middle there, lines 9 through 14.

22 She says, "Thank you for holding. I have talked with my
23 manager. She requested I send your information over to her
24 and try and see if we can expedite it. But, you know, she
25 doesn't work in the research department either, so there's no

1 guarantee it will be done like tomorrow. But, you know, she
2 will expedite it."

3 And do you remember Ms. Agyeman telling Ms. May, "I'm
4 going to try and get my manager to expedite you a response"?
5 Do you remember that?

6 A Yes.

7 Q I'm going to talk about what happened on the call, but
8 first I want to return now to the collection notes and find
9 out if what Ms. Agyeman said she was going to do, if, in fact,
10 she did.

11 MR. TILLOTSON: So if we can go back to Exhibit A,
12 which is the collection notes, and page 19. Back to
13 Exhibit A, page 19.

14 MR. DELANY: I'm there.

15 MR. TILLOTSON: Oh, I'm sorry. Yes, you are. If
16 you'll blow up for us starting with the third one in all the
17 way through May 2nd. That's fine. Go ahead. Okay. So to --
18 we're going to start at the top there.

19 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) There's a conversation between Ms. May
20 and Ms. Agyeman. We've heard the video. We've seen the
21 transcript. She says, "I'm going to talk to a manager."

22 Is this the note entry reflecting what took place
23 during that -- her entering in our system what took place
24 during that call?

25 A Yes.

1 Q And she says, "Talked to Ms. May. Ms. May stated she is
2 current. Ms. May stated she sends docs to research. Advised
3 Ms. May research still working on account and will get my
4 manager to try and expedite it." Do you see that?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Okay. Now, if you'll look down to the second May 2nd
7 entry, so approximately three days later, it says, "Loan
8 reviewed by manager. See comments."

9 Can you tell me what that means happened?

10 A R. Terry works in the bankruptcy area. You can tell by
11 the BK where you normally see the CL or the C. In the far,
12 far left, BK.

13 I know Ruth very personally. She's a management level
14 employee there, and so she's reviewing it.

15 Q Now, just based on your review, did Ms. Agyeman attempt
16 to expedite this with her manager and try and get this into
17 the hands of someone who could help resolve Ms. May's issue?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And that took place within a couple of days?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q Now, I want to talk for a moment about the research, and
22 there were some -- oh, I'll be honest with you, Mr. Loll.
23 There were some kind of hard-to-understand discussions about
24 the research department and not being able to call or access
25 the research department.

1 Do you remember those discussions we told Ms. May?

2 A I do.

3 Q Okay. I want to address with you first -- and let's
4 start at the beginning.

5 Is there a research department at Nationstar?

6 A There is.

7 Q How many people are in it?

8 A Over 100.

9 Q What do they do?

10 A They handle research items, complaint items, and
11 qualified written requests. They're considered our customer
12 relations group.

13 Q Do you use them from time to time?

14 A I do.

15 Q And what have been your results or your feedback from
16 them? Do they do their job, as best you can tell, when you've
17 used them?

18 A They do their job. They do it quickly. I have no issues
19 with them. They do the best they can. I have not had any
20 experiences with them with any work that they completed.

21 Q Now, explain to me, when an issue like this comes in, why
22 is Ms. Agyeman telling Ms. May, "I don't have the number for
23 research. No one can call research. You have to fax them,
24 and only my manager can get in touch with them"?

25 What's the truth about the ability of Nationstar's people

1 to go to research and communicate with them? Explain how it
2 works.

3 A You can communicate with them. They use a SharePoint
4 site, the same as the one employee said. When they do the
5 drop-down, they fill out a form on what the issues are, they
6 put the comments. They also put a check, "Please update the
7 system with the update when you've completed it."

8 You can also go right back into SharePoint and put
9 "Please email me as you resolve. I have to get back to this
10 customer. Email me with your updates." You can do that.

11 You can then go into SharePoint every day and see if
12 anyone is working it --

13 Q Okay.

14 A -- and go from there. But if you want a direct phone
15 call, your manager has the roster. The manager can call their
16 VP, their AVP and ask for immediate information regarding the
17 account.

18 Q All right. What about Ms. Agyeman? Why can't she do
19 research?

20 She was asked a lot of questions by the Plaintiff's
21 lawyers about, you know, "Why couldn't you figure this out?
22 Why couldn't you do more to help?"

23 Why doesn't Nationstar let someone like Ms. Agyeman,
24 while on the phone with her, go off and do research on her
25 particular account? Why don't you work it that way?

1 A Unfortunately -- and I'm not trying to make excuses. But
2 when you're servicing two and a half million customers, you
3 develop departments and procedures to expedite situations on a
4 scale basis. Ms. Agyeman is a single point of contact, and I
5 don't want the Jury to think that means a single point of
6 contact for everything.

7 Under the rules, under CFPB, consumer bureau protection
8 board, a single point of contact is mandated by the servicer
9 if the customer falls greater than 45 days delinquent on their
10 mortgage. The single point of contact is fully trained and
11 has expert knowledge as it relates to how you qualify for a
12 modification from what investors, what repayment plans are
13 available, what can we offer you for cash for keys if you need
14 additional time to avoid foreclosure.

15 Their expertise is handling a defaulted customer that is
16 facing a foreclosure action. They're not set up with the same
17 skill sets as a researcher. They don't have the same skill
18 sets as a bankruptcy processor. It's very complicated, but
19 they are our experts when it comes to give counseling as it
20 relates to when your mortgage is being faced in foreclosure.

21 Q Now, there was also some suggestion that perhaps the
22 problem is people like Ms. Agyeman are having to make too many
23 phone calls during the course of the day and don't have time
24 to give to each account.

25 Did you hear those questions and those allegations?

1 A Yes, I did.

2 Q You've -- have you looked at this issue? Are you
3 comfortable with the requirements or the guidelines set for
4 people like Ms. Agyeman in terms of how much work and phone
5 calls they are to do?

6 A I'm -- I'm not concerned with the work assignments. My
7 concern with the employees were -- to be able to do your
8 assignments, you have to know how to do your job very
9 efficiently.

10 And the frustration was Agyeman had the ability to hit
11 two keys and see those notes. She could have immediately
12 diagnosed the root cause, sent an email to bankruptcy, and say
13 that your transaction was never processed. That's why the
14 customer I'm dealing with today is not up to date. It would
15 have taken 30 seconds or less. She didn't know how to do that
16 one function.

17 Q Have you addressed that first with her, Ms. Agyeman?

18 A I have.

19 Q How did you do that? What did you tell her, and when did
20 that take place?

21 A When I was preparing myself for the depositions -- my
22 role in the company is to understand our procedures and
23 policies and to identify any weaknesses in our links that I
24 have to adapt or change to if we have gaps.

25 As a corporation, you write your procedures -- and I

1 wrote them. I was the person who wrote our procedures in 2006
2 and 2007. You write them with the best interest. You try to
3 think of every scenario possible, but your policies and
4 procedures change because of events that change. CFPB rulings
5 changed. We had to change a lot of procedures.

6 This case alone, I had to change a lot of procedures. I
7 had to take the knowledge that maybe some employees don't know
8 how to access all the notes and address it in not only
9 training supervisors but also ensure we have an electronic
10 means that we're not exposed to that error ever again.

11 Q Okay. I want to ask you about that.

12 Are you familiar with now what's known as a Code 43 at
13 Nationstar?

14 A Correct. Bankrupt --

15 Q Before we get to that, accounts get various codes on them
16 from time to time?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q Like -- so, for example, we've heard, like, an account in
19 litigation might have a particular code designating it's in
20 litigation, and that would mean certain things about the
21 account?

22 A That's correct. That would be Code 91.

23 Q Okay. Code 91.

24 Now, in this particular instance, we have Ms. Agyeman
25 dealing with an account that used to be in bankruptcy and

1 trying to deal with a bankruptcy issue that she may or may not
2 have certain information or training on.

3 Have you at Nationstar implemented anything with respect
4 to how you code accounts to address that issue as well?

5 A We have.

6 Q What is it you've done?

7 A Accounts that come out of bankruptcy -- complete their
8 bankruptcy plans are coded with 43s. And a 43 lets our people
9 know that, if they have any issues with that borrower, they
10 get directed to a management-level employee in bankruptcy if
11 it has anything to do with that situation that occurred in
12 that window of bankruptcy.

13 It automatically routes. So we can route even those
14 delinquent accounts to the management employees so, when they
15 get a call with an employee, they're not getting a lower-level
16 employee; they're getting the managers working those queues.

17 Q Today, for someone like Ms. May, if there was an issue
18 that related to what happened in her bankruptcy or a payment,
19 would her account be automatically, then, routed to a
20 manage-level person in the bankruptcy department?

21 A If she had a conversation with an employee at Nationstar,
22 it would be a bankruptcy manager at Nationstar.

23 Q Okay. Now I want to return to what is actually going on.
24 So we have April 30th where Ms. Agyeman talks and says, "I'm
25 going to expedite this and get to a manager." On May 2nd, a

1 manager looks at it.

2 Do you know, between May 2nd and over the next couple of
3 weeks, does the research and/or bankruptcy department look
4 into the issue regarding Ms. May's account?

5 A They are.

6 Q Okay. We're going to return back to notes in a second,
7 but I want to first have Mr. Delany bring up for us
8 Plaintiff's Exhibit 119. 119. Okay.

9 This is some emails that you were shown -- if you'll just
10 sort of blow up there -- with Ruth Terry and Kara Wise. So
11 this is an internal email between these two individuals going
12 back and forth, Ruth Terry and Kara Wise in mortgage. Are you
13 familiar with those individuals, and have you seen this email
14 exchange?

15 A I remember Ruth Terry, and I remember seeing K. Wise in
16 the communication logs.

17 Q And do you remember there was testimony and discussion
18 and phone calls from Ms. May saying that she had faxed in a
19 bunch of information to us? Do you remember that?

20 A Yes.

21 Q And there was concern about whether or not research had
22 ever gotten there, whether we were being passed on. Do you
23 remember that?

24 A Yes.

25 Q I'm going to show you Plaintiff's Exhibit 19 and ask you:

1 Is this the fax -- one of the faxes from Ms. May she had sent
2 to us and it being transmitted to research people at
3 Nationstar to investigate and look at it?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Okay. So although we made a lot of mistakes, at least
6 the documentation Ms. May was sending us and that we were
7 telling her to send us got to the research department to look
8 at?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q Okay. Now we're going to go back to Exhibit A. I'm
11 going to ask you what happened in response to the research's
12 review of this information.

13 MR. TILLOTSON: And if you'll take us back to the
14 collection notes, Exhibit A page 20. And if you will blow up
15 for us -- okay.

16 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) So if you'll tell us the date of the
17 fax -- the emails internally that you just looked at. When is
18 that taking place?

19 A May 2nd.

20 Q Okay. So we saw the call on April 30th, manager review
21 of account on May 2nd, fax getting to research department at
22 the same time period.

23 On May 15th, are we looking at the internal notes on
24 Ms. May's account where the bankruptcy department and research
25 has noted the error and makes an attempt to correct it?

1 A Yes.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. So if you'll highlight the
3 first one that says "cash P. Muller," the second entry that
4 says "BK." There you go. That's it.

5 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And we saw Mr. Muller testify, but I
6 want to look at the notes here.

7 Is this Mr. Muller's effort to reverse, if you will,
8 the 5,162 that we mistakenly debited her account from?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Now, I know you say we don't know if Mr. Muller actually
11 figured out it had been misapplied to Ms. Hoyt's account or
12 just decided we want to credit this and not have to charge
13 Ms. May for it, but there was at least an effort to fix it on
14 May 15th?

15 A That's correct. I interviewed him.

16 Q Okay. And in connection with your interview, where was
17 this money going to come from? I mean, how were we going to
18 do this?

19 A We were going to pay for that. The way it's written, the
20 bankruptcy department is using their own funds, not customer
21 funds, not Jeanne Hoyt's funds, their own cost center funds,
22 which means funds that are allocated for that department the
23 same as they would be paying for an employee. They're being
24 assessed that they're using own money to post this money to
25 the account.

1 Q Do you see there on the left designation in the very far
2 left-hand -- is BK.

3 So that's a bankruptcy note in the system?

4 A That's correct.

5 Q And Ms. Agyeman, depending upon how she loaded her
6 system, may or may not have seen that note?

7 A That's correct. The bankruptcy notes are somewhat
8 suppressed. They're easily accessible, but -- and I showed
9 her how to do that, but she -- when she pulled her query list,
10 she had exempted bankruptcy notations from her queue to be
11 able to read the communications.

12 Q Which is something that doesn't happen today?

13 A Should not happen today. I'm going to automate it.

14 Q Okay. Now --

15 A Everyone's trained to do it, but I'm going to make it so
16 they don't have the choice.

17 Q Okay. Now, it looks like Mr. Muller then puts in another
18 note that says, "Review history with manager." And there was
19 a reversal after the bankruptcy was discharged, "Requested
20 adjustment to bring loan current." Do you see that?

21 A I did.

22 Q And if that had been done on May 15th, that would have
23 taken care of the mistake that had been made?

24 A That's correct.

25 Q And just so we can put it in time period, this was

1 debited -- the mistake was made on March 27th. Complaint's in
2 April, sent to research at the end of April, and hopefully
3 fixed by May 15th.

4 So maybe 45 days from when the mistake is made to when we
5 think we can fix it; is that fair?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q But it is not fixed; is that right?

8 A Unfortunately, and extremely disappointing it was not
9 fixed.

10 Q Okay. Now, when -- and I talked about this in opening
11 and used some graphics, but tell us what the mistake
12 Mr. Muller made -- he's got the right idea, credit it; and
13 he's telling cash to credit it. What does he do wrong?

14 A Well, just so I can preface. Opposing counsel asked if
15 employees were reprimanded. I reprimanded Mr. Muller in my
16 office. I addressed it. He is our gatekeeper. He was the
17 one that was either going to -- that was going to change
18 events.

19 When he pressed that button, he did not ensure the money
20 was posted to the account and he released the protection off
21 the account by removing the bankruptcy protection. If he
22 would have just left the bankruptcy protection and the account
23 transaction wouldn't have happened, it would have come right
24 back to him.

25 Basically, what he did was he said the action was

1 completed and he released the protection code, which told the
2 rest of servicing bankruptcy had completed the correction.

3 Q Okay. All right. So before he thought he fixed the
4 mistake, there was a code for bankruptcy on the account such
5 that it had certain protections on it?

6 A That's correct.

7 Q And then he says, "I'm going to fix it, debit the amount.
8 And since I'm fixing it, I can remove the code"?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q And then the fix goes to the next group, which is the
11 cash guys.

12 They're the ones that actually get the money out of their
13 pocket -- or the company's pocket and pay it, right?

14 A Right.

15 Q But when they get it from him, the bankruptcy code is
16 removed. So what does cash do?

17 A Cash rejects his request stating that he doesn't have the
18 authority, because it's not in bankruptcy status, to make
19 those judgments according to our procedures.

20 Q And then there is entered into the notes on the same day
21 from a different person saying, "There is no bankruptcy code.
22 Resubmit the request." Do you see that?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And it was rejected?

25 A Yes.

1 Q And then to -- to sort of rub it in, not only was the
2 mistake made and rejected, but there is no communication from
3 the individual who's rejecting it and Mr. Muller that it has,
4 in fact, been rejected?

5 A That's correct.

6 Q And Mr. Muller doesn't follow up to find out if, in fact,
7 it got done?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q And you interviewed him on that.

10 And tell us what your investigation showed as to why
11 Mr. Muller thought it was okay for him to not follow up on
12 this important issue.

13 A His response to me was he had never had a directive to
14 cash that wasn't followed. And I challenged him, "Well, this
15 was a great one to have slip through the cracks, to not follow
16 up on." So I told him that, "In the future, there are zero
17 exceptions. You have to make sure every one of these
18 transactions gets posted." And I was angry.

19 Q Now, because the code is removed -- the bankruptcy
20 protection code is removed but the account is not fixed, it
21 goes back into the general population and we think in the
22 computer system that Ms. May is still delinquent?

23 A That's correct. Caroline Agyeman, Nance, everyone's
24 thinking it's done. Now it should be in their queues.

25 Q Now, thank you for the explanation about what happened.

1 I want to ask you now what steps Nationstar has taken
2 with respect to this kind of issue to ensure the right hand
3 saying, "I want to fix an account," the left hand saying, "I'm
4 going to pay for the fix" and it doesn't happen that they
5 don't miscommunicate like this in the future.

6 What steps have you taken, having seen the root cause
7 here, to ensure that problem doesn't happen again?

8 A Well, fortunately for Nationstar, before -- shortly after
9 this case -- and I don't believe this case necessarily drove
10 this action, but Nationstar put into place that to do a
11 transaction like Muller was trying to do requires a write-up
12 from the department, which Muller could do, but it routes to
13 the vice president of the department. The vice president
14 approves it to cash. Vice presidents have a lot more power.
15 Cash is very unlikely ever going to reject a vice president's
16 directive irregardless of what status it's in.

17 However, if cash ever rejects it, it comes right back to
18 the approver in an email saying that we rejected this. And
19 then it goes to your supervisor if you don't void it or get
20 the supervisor to approve it. So there's the checks and
21 balances the whole way through the transaction. It's
22 instantaneously. You send that, and if they don't do it right
23 away, it comes back as a reject.

24 But we do have the safeguards now. The approvers are the
25 accountable persons, and we have the safeguards that if an

1 event doesn't happen, it's an immediate response back to the
2 individual that requested the item be taken care of.

3 Q Now, because we didn't have -- or didn't catch this
4 mistake -- and this is mid May. We've seen some of the
5 activities that take place on the account in June, July, and
6 August where Ms. May is -- has to endure more calls with us
7 calling her.

8 And one of the things that came up a lot and there was a
9 lot of talk about and I want to ask you a few questions was
10 our calling of Ms. May and saying, "Would you like to do a
11 modification?" I think you've explained what a loan
12 modification is.

13 But why do we call her and say, "Do you want to do your
14 modification? Why aren't you in modification?" even when she
15 keeps telling us "I don't want to do it"?

16 What is it about the Nationstar practice that says we
17 continue to call her and ask her for modifications? Why are
18 we doing that?

19 A Because her investor is Fannie Mae, and Fannie Mae does
20 an analysis on parts of their portfolio that states we have
21 certain customers who have a history of paying with us and
22 they may be past due. And Ms. May had a history of paying
23 with us. They do an analysis on the property value, and they
24 recognize that she at one time had been in bankruptcy but she
25 had reinstated and completed that.

1 So from Fannie Mae perspective, you have a borrower who
2 has good performance, maybe not to the level that she's
3 current from our records, but she's performing strong enough
4 that they make a commitment that we will approve her on a
5 modification regardless.

6 So what's generally done is, since a customer gets a
7 guaranteed approval -- a guaranteed approval generally means
8 you get a lower interest rate on your loan; you get lower
9 payments; and at times, even on Ms. May, even though it had
10 the erroneous error of adding \$5,600 too much, it still had
11 \$20,000 of her balance deferred as no interest.

12 So it basically shrunk -- even with the 5,600, it shrunk
13 her balance down, reduced the interest rate to 2 percent. So
14 she was only paying interest on a small amount of money.

15 I wouldn't have signed it if I was her either, but the
16 mindset is this product is going to people who desperately
17 need this product. It's the difference between keeping their
18 houses and losing their houses. And it's something that we
19 get rated on. It's a good thing. It was a tough situation to
20 see that happen to Ms. May on a current customer.

21 Q Okay. I'm going to ask you if you'll look at exhibits --
22 actually, I think we've talked -- on the modifications,
23 though, when she says, "No, I don't want to do a modification,
24 "what does that tell us internally in terms of what we then
25 have to do as the next steps? When a borrower says, "I'm not

1 doing a modification" and we think they're five or six months
2 behind, what's the next step in the process?

3 A When she's going through a modification process, there's
4 a protective code on her loan that stops foreclosure activity.
5 When she says, "I don't want the modification," that removes
6 this protection code. It then begins accelerating the
7 foreclosure action.

8 Q Okay. Wrongfully so, but because she's rejected the
9 modification in our system, we have to go to the next step?

10 A That's correct.

11 Q Now, there was some discussion about putting her in a
12 trial plan. Do you remember that?

13 A She was automatically put in the trial plan by Fannie
14 Mae's protocols.

15 MR. TILLOTSON: All right. If you'll bring up for us
16 Plaintiff's 120. Plaintiff's 120.

17 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And I'll approach and give you a hard
18 copy of it.

19 Is this a letter we sent her saying, "You're in the
20 trial plan"?

21 A That's correct. It's preapproved.

22 Q Okay. So it's preapproved.

23 And the idea is that this letter should be going to
24 individuals who are truly behind and in danger of losing their
25 home because they're not making payments?

1 A Repeat that question.

2 Q It's -- the ideas is this letter should be going only to
3 people who are actually dangerously behind in their mortgage
4 and are in danger of losing their home?

5 A Yes, that's who the letter is intended to.

6 Q The goal is to help them so they don't lose their home
7 but enter into a trial plan and a modification of their loan
8 at better terms to help them make payments. Is that the idea?

9 A Yeah. And this would have reduced their payment by
10 \$300-some dollars.

11 Q Okay. It's obviously inappropriate to send to someone
12 who's current with the idea behind this we're sending it to
13 people because we think they need it?

14 A Absolutely.

15 Q All right. Now, I want to ask you, during this time
16 period, we issue and send her what are called suspense letters
17 and then later either reject or don't credit and take her
18 payments.

19 Why are we doing that during this time period?

20 A Because when the money is being accounted for, it's being
21 recognized as trial payments. Until you actually book the
22 modification, there's really not a lot of harm to the borrower
23 except for credit reporting. Because the funds that they
24 would be submitting, instead of being posted directly to their
25 account at that time, they're held in a temporary suspense.

1 So they're identified as performance payments before they're
2 posted to the account.

3 Q Okay. Now, we saw earlier from some testimony that one
4 of our people on the phone kept entering into the collection
5 notes that Ms. May was going to be filing for bankruptcy. Do
6 you remember that testimony?

7 A I remember.

8 Q Okay. Was that an error, as best you can tell?

9 A That was an error.

10 Q Let me ask you, though: Although it was an error, did it
11 have any affect on her account, like negative credit rating or
12 charge her any fees or do anything to her?

13 A It had no effect on her account. It did have the
14 possibility that it could have delayed a foreclosure because
15 she notates the account "the customer is going to be filing
16 bankruptcy," which could notify foreclosure to stop.

17 Q Okay. Now, the trial plan, which you say automatically
18 qualifies, if she's making payments, are we in effect treating
19 them as if she's in the trial plan?

20 A We are.

21 Q Okay. And why are we doing that?

22 A Because it's a protocol under Fannie Mae. She qualified
23 for streamline as a preselected based on a performance
24 qualifier. The only time it's not a mod is when you get the
25 loan modifications and you don't sign them and you reject

1 them. And, in this case, they were rejected.

2 Q Okay. Now I want to turn to a couple of things you were
3 asked about yesterday.

4 You were shown some letters from Ms. May that she sent to
5 Nationstar in the fall of 2013. Do you remember those? And
6 you were asked about our responses yesterday.

7 A Yes.

8 Q Okay. I'm going to first show you the -- the one that
9 you looked at and were given a copy of, but I'm going to show
10 the one that starts it.

11 MR. TILLOTSON: If you'll bring up for us UU, which
12 is Tab 47, the letter UU. And if you'll just sort of blow up
13 the first part through the first paragraph here, Keith.

14 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) This is a letter Ms. May is sending on
15 August 21st to us. And she is saying, "To whom it may
16 concern: Please treat this letter as a qualified written
17 request under the Federal Servicer Act, which is made part of
18 the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act." Do you see that?

19 A I do.

20 Q Now, in Nationstar's terms, qualified written request has
21 a meaning, does it not?

22 A Yes, it does.

23 Q Okay. And Nationstar endeavors to answer any qualified
24 written request it receives from a borrower?

25 A Yes. You have time requirements to answer a qualified

1 written request.

2 Q Okay. And there are certain requirements as to what
3 makes it a qualified written request?

4 A That's correct.

5 Q Okay. Now I want to address -- so that's -- she sends it
6 to us. I want to address and show you our response, which is
7 Exhibit VV, which would be 48. And you were given a hard copy
8 up there, but I'll bring you another copy if you need it.

9 This was the September 3rd response, and I'm going to
10 hand it to you so you have the full package and you don't have
11 to wait for us to scroll through.

12 You remembered seeing this as our response, and you were
13 asked: Did this response properly respond to Ms. May's
14 request? Do you remember that?

15 A Yes. And I said no because I didn't see the pay records
16 that included through 2012.

17 Q Okay. First, let's --

18 MR. TILLOTSON: If you'll blow up the bottom part,
19 the bullet point payment history and all the way through.

20 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) We didn't really see the letter
21 yesterday, but here's the text of the letter that we're
22 telling her.

23 We say to her, "We're including your payment history.
24 The payment history reflects a complete payment history for
25 the period of September 1st, 2010, through the date of this

1 letter," which was September 3rd, 2013. "The payment history
2 reflects when payments were received how payments were applied
3 to the loan, any disbursements made from the loan, a
4 description for each transaction with the running balances of
5 the unpaid principal and escrow accounts, the dates fees and
6 charges were assessed, if any, the amount paid toward fees,
7 any waivers or reversals of fees." Do you see that?

8 A I do.

9 Q And is that information -- can you discern that -- find
10 that out from looking at a payment history of someone's loan?

11 A Yes. What you showed me includes all the documents, and
12 I apologize if I misspoke earlier. I didn't see the bottom
13 payment histories that --

14 Q Okay. We're going to get to that. I'll give you a
15 chance to tell the Jury about that.

16 But when she asks us, "Tell me how I'm delinquent and how
17 I owe this money," in our mind, by giving her the payment
18 history and all of this, are we saying, "Here's what we've
19 done on your account"?

20 A Yes. It's the account ledger of your account that would
21 show when you're current to delinquent and each month, if you
22 made your payment, how it was applied to and what you were
23 contractually due for next.

24 Q Okay. Now, to be fair, because we need to be accountable
25 for ourselves here, we didn't put in this letter, "Ms. May,

1 here's why you're delinquent, because we debited your account
2 5,162. We then did this, this, and this. You need to
3 understand it was because of the Citi thing; therefore, you
4 owe us X."

5 We didn't put that in the letter; we just put the payment
6 history in it?

7 A That's correct.

8 Q And later on, so we maybe save some time, when Ms. May's
9 lawyer, Mr. Healey, writes us at the end of this year and
10 says, "How can you possibly be trying to collect on her?
11 She's current," we take the same payment history and send it
12 to her lawyer, Mr. Healey.

13 A That's correct.

14 Q Do you remember that? So that's what we're telling
15 everyone.

16 Now, in the payment history, if you'll turn to page 38 of
17 this document -- I put a little tab there for you so we can
18 get to it quickly.

19 Are we looking at the payment history for the loan? Is
20 this the actual document that was included that we sent to
21 Ms. May?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Okay. And it's computer -- it's a printout. So, you
24 know -- but is that the payment history that we're talking
25 about in the letter?

1 A It is.

2 Q Okay. If you'll turn to the next page for us, and it's
3 in date order on transactions; is that right?

4 A That's correct.

5 MR. TILLOTSON: Okay. If we'll go to page -- it will
6 be page 39, and we're on it. Now, if you'll go down midway to
7 the entry on 3-31 of her payment history and kind of blow up
8 around that area for us, Keith. There we go.

9 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Is that the entry for debiting her
10 5,162?

11 A It is.

12 Q And so in the payment history showing what debits we've
13 made and credits we've made, it includes that we -- and
14 there's a minus sign after it -- that we took 5,162 off of her
15 account?

16 A That's correct.

17 Q Now, again, to be fair, we don't explain why or what; but
18 that's a payment entry in there?

19 A That's correct.

20 Q And then that's what we send to her lawyer when he asks
21 us for the same thing?

22 A That's correct.

23 Q And if someone is looking at the payment history, talking
24 to someone on the phone and how they're doing it and look at
25 the top as to what's owed -- and it does it all the way --

1 it'll tell you that she owes a certain amount of money in part
2 based upon this debit?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q And so when people said, as we saw on the phone calls,
5 "My payment thing showed that's what she owed," that's what
6 they're talking about?

7 A That's correct.

8 Q Okay. Now, when -- when it goes to foreclosure and the
9 lawyers get involved, does Nationstar retain a lawyer to do
10 the foreclosure?

11 A We do.

12 Q And we saw that individual in his letters -- without
13 getting into too much detail, a foreclosure lawyer is approved
14 by Fannie Mae to -- and you guys hire and pay to go do a
15 foreclosure if necessary?

16 A That's correct.

17 Q And that's separate from -- if you -- there's a lawsuit
18 from it and you have lawyers defend you? Those are two
19 different areas, dealt with differently?

20 A That's correct.

21 Q Okay. And then does Nationstar rely on the lawyer to
22 handle the foreclosure, if you will, as the lawyer doing that?

23 A He's the professional. He's got the license. Yes, we
24 rely entirely on his legal expertise.

25 Q And he post -- I mean, he issued the trustee's notice and

1 her home was -- let's agree up front it was posted for
2 foreclosure, and the notice ran in the newspaper for a certain
3 period of time that we've stipulated that happened and that
4 should never have happened?

5 A That's correct.

6 Q All right. Once a lawsuit was filed, then, in
7 February 2014, then the foreclosure was stopped; is that
8 right?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q So we said we're not going to foreclose on the home.

11 Did -- after that point in time, February 2014 when we
12 filed the lawsuit up until today, did Nationstar ever restart,
13 recommence foreclosure proceedings against Ms. May?

14 A We did not.

15 Q Did we ever threaten her with foreclosure once the
16 lawsuit had been filed up until today?

17 A We did not.

18 Q We did for a period of time in January and threatened it
19 before -- not threatened but told her we might have to
20 foreclose.

21 But once the lawsuit was filed, did we ever do that
22 again, to your knowledge?

23 A We did not.

24 Q Now, in connection with the lawsuit -- I think you
25 mentioned this -- but did we code her account then as "in

1 litigation" with a Code 91, which would mean we wouldn't send
2 her statements?

3 A 91 has -- suppresses any kind of legal -- we would never
4 initiate a foreclosure with a Code 91. 91 does suppress
5 statements. It doesn't permanently suppress statements. You
6 can activate your statement while you are in Code 91 as long
7 as there's no information on the statement that would have
8 bearing on the litigation itself.

9 Q Okay. And once a matter goes to litigation, is it
10 Nationstar's practice that it's really the lawyers that go
11 back and forth in the case to -- to handle it, that you --
12 we've seen in some of the notes telling Ms. May, "Your case
13 is" -- you know, "You're in litigation. We're going to talk
14 to your lawyer or go through that." Do you remember that in
15 general?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Okay. But during that process, during the lawsuit
18 ongoing, we do receive some additional qualified -- what are
19 described as qualified written requests from Ms. May while the
20 case is going on; is that right? Do you remember that?

21 A That's correct.

22 Q And then in connection with those, as we've seen in the
23 letters we showed in the beginning, Nationstar begins to make
24 corrective action to the account in 2014?

25 A That's correct.

1 Q All right. Now, having gone through this and -- how much
2 time do you think you've spent on this matter trying to
3 investigate and figure out what's happening?

4 A Probably 300 hours.

5 Q And having identified the various issues and the
6 mistakes, have you done your level best to try and figure out
7 what actually happened and how to fix it in the future and for
8 Ms. May?

9 A Yes. I -- I would never want to have my mother or my
10 sister in her shoes being serviced by Nationstar going
11 forward.

12 Q As the representative of Nationstar, I want to ask you a
13 math question about her account.

14 MR. TILLOTSON: And I want to ask Mr. Delany if
15 you'll bring up Plaintiff's Exhibit 5.

16 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) It was shown by the Plaintiffs. And
17 I'm going to approach you so you can see what it is, and I'm
18 going to ask for it back.

19 But is this a payoff -- an account payment history we
20 sent Ms. May right before -- if you'll sort of blow it up so
21 we can see -- is this the payment history we sent Ms. May
22 right before we started, for lack of a better word, screwing
23 up her account?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Okay. I'm going to take it back from you for just one

1 second, if I could.

2 MR. TILLOTSON: And I'll ask Mr. Delany if he'll
3 bring up the next page so we can see.

4 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) And those reflect Ms. May asked for a
5 payment history -- and if you'll go to the next page -- right
6 as she got out of bankruptcy, and we gave it to her. Here's
7 the payments that have happened on your account prior to --
8 once she's coming out of bankruptcy.

9 MR. TILLOTSON: And if you'll blow up just sort of
10 the top part so we can see numbers. A little further down, if
11 you would.

12 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) I want to ask you: If before we
13 started to make mistakes on her account and sent this thing
14 into all the problems it had, what's the amount that Ms. May
15 owed on the house, the mortgage amount?

16 And you can round it up to take into account any
17 uncertainties, but if -- if, in fact -- we want to know,
18 before we screwed up her account, how much did she owe?
19 What's that amount?

20 A 92,664.75.

21 Q Okay. All right. And have I written it correctly on
22 here the amount that you're saying she has?

23 A That's correct.

24 Q Okay. Take a look at me over here, Mr. Loll. Make
25 sure -- I've written it on this exhibit.

1 A That's correct.

2 Q Okay. Which I'm now marking as Defendant's KKKKK.

3 So if we wanted to say to Ms. May, "Before we screwed up
4 your house, before we screwed up your account and made all
5 these mistakes, this is the amount it would take to have
6 cleared off your mortgage," are you comfortable that this is
7 that amount?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q Okay. Last --

10 MR. TILLOTSON: And, Your Honor, I would offer KKKKK
11 at this time, and I'll give them a copy.

12 THE COURT: Any objection?

13 MR. HUMPHREYS: No objection.

14 THE COURT: So admitted.

15 MR. TILLOTSON: Thank you.

16 THE COURT: I think that's the only exhibit I've
17 ruled on since this trial started.

18 MR. TILLOTSON: I'm one and O.

19 THE COURT: Yeah, you're a winner.

20 MR. TILLOTSON: Yeah, since I got to KKKKK.

21 Q (By Mr. Tillotson) Last, I want to turn to sort of the
22 last issue and a little bit more serious. You understand that
23 Nationstar is being asked and is on trial here in its
24 practices and its procedures.

25 And as best you can, have you explained what you

1 thought happened?

2 A I have.

3 Q You've mentioned you're not proud of it and you're
4 embarrassed by it.

5 Has this been a humbling experience for you?

6 A Extremely humbling experience for me because I'm the face
7 of the company in these proceedings.

8 Q Now, it's nowhere near what the Plaintiff -- the
9 experience we put her through.

10 I want to make sure the Jury understands that we take
11 this, that you take this, and that management takes this as
12 serious as can be taken because it was a big mistake.

13 Are you and have you done that through the right channels
14 of management at Nationstar?

15 A I have.

16 Q And having seen all the mistakes, how your people
17 responded, what they did, their shortcomings, anything else,
18 is there anything now at the end, now that we've tried to
19 explain -- not excuse, but explain -- the best way we can, is
20 there anything that you, on behalf of Nationstar, would like
21 to say to Ms. May?

22 A I just have the most sincere apology to you. I'm only
23 one person. But my role too is, every new hire that we have,
24 I'm going to spend giving classes to let them know when they
25 have problems that they don't understand, they get their VP,

1 their managers on the phone. You should have been talking to
2 a much higher-level employee. You kept great composure, and
3 it was heartbreaking to hear your frustration on the phone.

4 Q And, Mr. Loll, have you taken steps to ensure that, as
5 best as it can be, you or anyone from Nationstar won't be
6 sitting in a federal courthouse having to apologize and
7 explain away their actions?

8 A Excuse me?

9 Q Have you, on behalf of Nationstar, done the best you can
10 going forward, taking steps and procedures and changes, to
11 ensure that never again will a Nationstar executive have to
12 sit in a federal courthouse and give apologies and
13 explanations for what happened?

14 A That's correct.

15 MR. TILLOTSON: Thank you. Your Honor, pass the
16 witness.

17 Thank you, Mr. Loll.

18 THE COURT: Cross-examine.

19 MR. HUMPHREYS: May we approach, Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: Sure.

21 (A bench conference was held on the record and outside of
22 the hearing of the Jury as follows:)

23 MR. HUMPHREYS: Your Honor, I'd like to get into an
24 issue. I want to get clarity on one of your rulings on a
25 motion in limine. This highlights and so forth that's been

1 talked about in Plaintiff 215, the SEC 10-K, all the good
2 stuff, the fluff. It also has reference to other matters that
3 are not quite as pleasant, including -- pardon me for the
4 fumbling here -- a reference to risk factors.

5 "We are subject to numerous legal proceedings,
6 federal, state, and local examinations, investigations, or
7 enforcement actions." Blah, blah, blah. "We are routinely
8 and currently involved in a significant number of legal
9 proceedings concerning the matters that arise in the course of
10 our business."

11 THE COURT: Read slower.

12 MR. HUMPHREYS: "We are routinely and currently
13 involved in a significant number of legal proceedings
14 concerning matters that arise in the course of our business.
15 No assurance that these proceedings will not increase in the
16 future under the actions under the Fair Debt Collection
17 Practices Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act, Real Estate
18 Settlement Procedures Act."

19 THE COURT: I'm not sure what this has to do with
20 anything that we -- I'm not sure why this would come in.

21 MR. TILLOTSON: It's your typical risk factor that
22 they -- there's 50 of them.

23 THE COURT: If you're objecting to it --

24 MR. TILLOTSON: I object to it, Your Honor.

25 THE COURT: -- I'll sustain the objection.

1 MR. HUMPHREYS: Yes, Your Honor. I wanted to get
2 clarity to see if that was outside of -- within your ruling.

3 THE COURT: The Defendant is objecting, and I'm
4 sustaining the objection. That information stays out.

5 MR. TILLOTSON: Thank you, Your Honor.

6 (The following proceedings were held within the hearing
7 of the Jury.)

8 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

9 BY MR. HUMPHREYS:

10 Q Mr. Loll, sitting back here and listening to the
11 conversation between you and your lawyer, it sounds like you
12 guys think you did a pretty good job on this one. Is that how
13 you feel?

14 A Absolutely not.

15 Q Okay. We saw some exhibits of recordings that you --
16 that your lawyer just showed you and a conversation transcript
17 with Ms. May and also your internal records that management
18 was involved in this -- well, let me break this down into two
19 questions.

20 The first one is that people at Nationstar knew what the
21 issue was in 2013, well before this ever got into default and
22 foreclosure proceedings, that this was an issue with Citi?
23 This wasn't unknown at Nationstar at that time, right?

24 A What -- can you tell me what particular -- are you
25 talking about the email exchange?

1 Q No. I'm speaking of the part of the collection history
2 that was pulled up that said that the representative was
3 telling -- was speaking to Ms. May about the Citi -- did you
4 see that?

5 I mean, I don't have it on the screen, but do you
6 remember that 30 minutes ago?

7 A I remember, if I'm on the same page with you, when Paul
8 Muller knew about the changes it needed, I would recognize
9 that he's a management employee; and, therefore, Nationstar
10 was aware of it in March of 2013, as a management person on
11 their team was aware of it.

12 Q Well, there was a note in the -- in the collection
13 screens, Exhibit 2, right, that your lawyer pulled up that
14 said that there was a management review and they were aware of
15 the issue. Do you recall that?

16 A I just want to make sure that I'm on the same date with
17 you. Are you talking the management review prior to Paul
18 Muller's adjustments?

19 Q The one that your lawyer showed on the screen to
20 everybody that we all saw here. I mean, this was a known
21 issue.

22 Let me just ask you this: Can you agree with me that
23 this was a known issue at Citi, including by management -- at
24 Nationstar that this was a known issue in -- in the -- in
25 early -- into the early summer of 2013?

1 A It was a known issue. It was a known issue when Paul
2 Muller had to do adjustments to correct it.

3 Q Okay.

4 A He was a management-level employee.

5 Q And somebody even explained to Ms. May that Citi --
6 they'd taken the money back and given it to Citi? That was
7 known because the reps were telling that to Ms. May, and she
8 was telling it back to the other rep -- Ms. May was repeating
9 it to other reps that she'd been told that?

10 A That's true. There was a communication log where both
11 parties seemed to identify the root cause.

12 Q Yeah. So -- and this was back in April/May of 2013?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q Right. And nobody took any steps to follow up and fix
15 this problem that was a known issue, right?

16 A There were steps made by Lori Harp in the email. I'd
17 have to look at the actual date that that was done, but I
18 think it was done at a later time. You're right.

19 Q If that was in April of -- April 30th of 2014, according
20 to your own statement under oath --

21 A No. You're right. It was in management's hands early.
22 It should not have been set aside. It should have been on our
23 radar every day.

24 Q Okay. It was known; it was very much a known issue.

25 A Management was aware.

1 Q You didn't have to get sued to figure this thing out, did
2 you? You could have -- you knew it beforehand?

3 A Correct.

4 Q And the reason why this thing took so long to fix is
5 because nobody wanted to take the hit on their budget, nobody
6 wanted to accept the book loss; isn't that right?

7 A That's absolutely incorrect.

8 Q Well, do you have a better explanation as to what took --
9 why my client had to file a lawsuit and why you didn't get it
10 fixed until months after the suit was filed?

11 A Because people thought that it was fixed. Muller, under
12 testimony, thought he had fixed it when he removed the
13 bankruptcy code. He thought he had put the problem behind
14 him.

15 Q And he didn't have any authority to fix the problem; he
16 just reported it to cash, right?

17 A No, he had the authority. That was part of his job was
18 to do the final close-out audits. That's why I reprimanded
19 him so severely. I was extremely upset with him that he
20 didn't do the follow-up.

21 Under his testimony, he said he was empowered to do that
22 transaction.

23 Q Okay. Now, he didn't even report to you, did he?

24 A It doesn't matter.

25 Q Can you answer my question?

1 A He reports to me through our procedures.

2 Q He doesn't answer -- he doesn't report to you?

3 A He answers to me when he makes errors that cause
4 litigation.

5 Q Okay. Did you give testimony previously that he
6 didn't -- he doesn't report to me?

7 A He does not report to me from an organizational chart
8 perspective, but he reports to me with his actions in a
9 litigation matter. I hold him accountable to what he should
10 have done, what he should have followed up. And I -- he has
11 to answer to me on that.

12 Q You are in a support role, right?

13 A Operations support.

14 Q Yeah.

15 A My support area is -- helps through the legal department
16 I support, but my direct support is to the head of operations
17 to improve Nationstar's processes and procedures where we see
18 gaps or holes.

19 Q You're not in a business unit, are you? You're not in a
20 business unit --

21 A Yes, I am.

22 Q -- operating unit?

23 A Yes, I am.

24 Q Okay. It's not support?

25 A I work through into servicing operations as a management

1 employee to servicing.

2 Q All right. All right. So we looked earlier at this,
3 Plaintiff 215, the SEC Form 10-K that Nationstar filed for the
4 annual statement for the year 2014 that was discussed with
5 your attorney. Do you remember him talking about the parts
6 where Nationstar was bragging about some -- some things it had
7 done right?

8 A Yes. I mean, if you could give me the exhibit so I can
9 follow along with what you're directing at. I'm familiar with
10 what we talked about in my testimony.

11 Q Okay. All right. And does Nationstar have a PR
12 department, public relations?

13 A We have a customer relations, the group that is part of
14 our corporate image.

15 Q Okay. Well, these corporate image folks, do they have
16 some role in putting together this statement?

17 A I don't put the statement together. That's not my role.
18 I'm in operations. This is finance and reporting. That's not
19 my role.

20 Q Understood. Do you know if your public relations or
21 image, I should say, folks have a role in putting together
22 this statement for the public?

23 A My belief is every employee is part of our public image.
24 Everything that we do reflects on our public image.

25 Q Okay. Do you see a disconnect, though, between what

1 you're saying here up on this witness stand and -- and --
2 although -- let me strike that. This -- what you're saying
3 about the company is consistent with what we're reading in the
4 10-K here in terms of your -- the way the company intends to
5 do business, right?

6 A Yes. I think it discusses the way we want to do business
7 because -- at a high level.

8 Q All right. Okay. Do you see a disconnect, though,
9 between what you say you do and what really is happening from
10 the testimony we saw here, what is actually happening from the
11 recordings and the witnesses who -- who actually spoke to my
12 client before she had to file a lawsuit?

13 A No. I recognize, when you read those objectives, Ms. May
14 did not experience any of those objectives that we say we're
15 proud of. She was an exception. That's not the -- she's not
16 the majority. She's not what we want to happen to other
17 customers.

18 MR. HUMPHREYS: Okay. All right. May we approach,
19 Your Honor?

20 THE COURT: Yeah.

21 (A bench conference was held on the record and outside of
22 the hearing of the Jury as follows:)

23 MR. HUMPHREYS: It's our view, Your Honor, the door
24 has been opened that Prostredny -- I apologize for the name --
25 but our 404(b) witness ought to be permitted to testify.

1 MR. TILLOTSON: I strongly disagree. I don't think
2 it came anywhere near what you told us not to do. The witness
3 was under cross-examination. They can't really themselves
4 open the door and him trying to argue with him over a
5 cross-examination question and say, "Aha." The lawyers opened
6 the door.

7 THE COURT: The difference is your witness, who was
8 instructed to keep his mouth shut about this sort of an issue,
9 said that she's the exception to the rule. That, to me, tells
10 me that nobody else is out there. That's -- unfortunately, he
11 said she's the exception to the rule.

12 MR. TILLOTSON: But they opened the door.

13 THE COURT: They didn't open the door.

14 MR. TILLOTSON: They asked him a question about --

15 THE COURT: No.

16 MR. TILLOTSON: -- does he not see this as a
17 disconnect between their statements here or not, and he said,
18 "No, I don't." He says, "We try and do well. She was the
19 exception to that."

20 THE COURT: Well, look, here's what I'll let you do.
21 I'll let you ask this witness, "Do you mean to tell me" -- I'm
22 paraphrasing a question -- "that you've treated no one else
23 like you've treated this witness -- this -- this" -- I'm sorry
24 -- "this Plaintiff in this lawsuit?"

25 If he says, "No, I'm not saying that," we're fine.

1 If he says -- if he says, "No, I've never treated
2 anybody else like that," he opens the door.

3 MR. TILLOTSON: But --

4 THE COURT: Wait a minute. He opened the door.

5 MR. TILLOTSON: Your Honor, I'm just --

6 THE COURT: Look. Hold on. I don't want this trial
7 to last five more damn minutes. But, you know, this guy has
8 been wearing me out since the moment he got on the witness
9 stand. He's -- he's -- he's -- you know, he's smarter than
10 the average, you know, bear, and he just stuck his foot right
11 in it. He shouldn't have said this is an exception. He could
12 have said, "No, we don't really" -- he could have said a
13 thousand different things. He said, "This is an exception;
14 she's the exception to the rule."

15 I see no intent on the Defendant -- on the
16 Plaintiff's part, Plaintiff's attorney's part of trying to
17 open up some door by the back door, so to speak. This was --
18 I think it was a straightforward question, "You see there's a
19 disconnect?" He could have simply said, "Yes, we made a
20 mistake." You know, he didn't need to expand it by saying she
21 was the exception.

22 MR. TILLOTSON: I don't think --

23 THE COURT: So your client -- your witness -- if you
24 want to take him off the witness stand for a second, we'll
25 take a break. No. We're going to take a break because I'm

1 telling you I don't want this to go any further, but he had
2 better damn tell -- when the question is asked, you put your
3 question in a very specific form, which you're not really good
4 at, quite frankly. Your questions are all over the damn
5 place. So put a very specific question at him. "Do you mean
6 to tell me this has never happened since" -- we're talking
7 about since then, right? When is this?

8 MR. HUMPHREYS: Yeah.

9 THE COURT: It happened after this?

10 MR. HUMPHREYS: It happened after.

11 THE COURT: "This has never happened after?" And he
12 better say, "No, it did happen."

13 And that's as far as we'll go. That's where we are.
14 Done. I couldn't have been more clear on the motion in limine
15 on this.

16 MR. HUMPHREYS: I object to them having a
17 consultation.

18 THE COURT: Here's what I'm going to tell him to do.
19 I, quite frankly, want him to school his client to answer the
20 question properly. You guys have -- I'm just -- I'm about
21 done with this case --

22 MR. HUMPHREYS: Yes, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: -- based on the -- based on the
24 ridiculous amount of time I think both sides are wasting on
25 this thing. I mean, I'm sitting back there -- unrelated to

1 this, I'm sitting back there still ruling on whether or not
2 this doctor's -- the treating physician's testimony is
3 admissible. And I read through that stuff, and I could not
4 believe you guys are still objecting to it. I don't get this.

5 So we're taking a short break.

6 MR. HUMPHREYS: Yes, sir.

7 THE COURT: You talk to your guy. You put that
8 question real specific and finish your damn cross-examination.

9 MR. HUMPHREYS: I will.

10 (The following proceedings were held within the hearing
11 of the Jury.)

12 THE COURT: All right. Ladies and gentlemen, we're
13 going to take a break for about 15 minutes or so. You're
14 instructed not to discuss the case. Don't form or express any
15 opinion about the case. Don't let anyone talk to you about
16 the case in your presence. Thank you.

17 (Court recessed from 2:42 p.m. until 3:01 p.m.)

18 (The following proceedings were held within the hearing
19 and presence of the Jury.)

20 THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Loll, you may take the stand
21 again.

22 You may proceed.

23 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) You just testified that what
24 Nationstar did to Ms. May was the exception. Are you saying
25 Nationstar hasn't made errors or mistakes to other borrowers?

1 A Yes, Nationstar has made errors with other borrowers.

2 Q You testified that you spent 300 hours yourself looking
3 at Mrs. May's accounts and records, right?

4 A Yes, sir.

5 Q Do you have any sense of how much time this lady has had
6 to spend dealing with your mistakes?

7 A I can only imagine how many hours that she would have
8 done to try to bring it to our attention.

9 Q Okay. And we looked at an exhibit. I believe it was
10 IIII that, I believe, was -- did you create that last night,
11 the last monthly statement?

12 A I personally didn't create it. I requested it to be
13 produced from Dallas and had it electronically sent to me. I
14 did review the account before I came here, and that's what was
15 reflected. But I wanted to be able to show the Court that the
16 data, as of today, even -- I didn't alter the data, but it was
17 showing correct.

18 Q Okay. But there's a policy, it sounds like, at
19 Nationstar to suppress sending monthly statements to people
20 that sue Nationstar; is that right?

21 A Generally, we suppress them. But if you get through the
22 litigation portion that -- the statement then has no effect on
23 the -- what's on the table. Like, you've resolved the dispute
24 as it regards to the interest rate, the amount, the payment,
25 and the escrow. Then it is permissible to begin sending the

1 statements out again as long as it's not part of the
2 litigation itself.

3 Q Okay. And is there a reason why you want to keep
4 customers -- I don't want to say in the dark; that's
5 argumentative -- but, you know, to avoid giving that
6 information? Why would they not have the right to that
7 information, I guess?

8 A Because if they're disputing their balance or they're
9 disputing it's that property or if they're disputing that it's
10 fraud on the origination side, you want -- if they have
11 disputes as it relates to the accounting of the loan at this
12 very moment, you don't want to send that wrongful information
13 back out to -- to them while they're litigating the challenges
14 of what may be on that statement.

15 But, in this case, I believe the statement would be
16 satisfied for Mrs. May -- her review, and she would be
17 satisfied as it relates to only the status as it is right now.

18 Q Okay. So also yesterday did I hear you say that you
19 accessed my client's credit file -- her credit report?

20 A No. Alls I can do is I can see the data that was
21 transmitted. I can't pull a credit file for your client. I
22 can only see what information we transferred to the credit
23 reporting agencies.

24 Q Okay. This root-cause analysis you spoke with your
25 lawyer about -- that was done a few weeks before you were

1 first deposed in this case, right? Just like this year, in
2 May of this year?

3 A I don't recall the exact date that it was done. But, by
4 me personally, I did the root cause before my deposition.
5 You're correct.

6 Q Okay. The -- and that was in 2015?

7 A I don't recall the date of the deposition, but I would
8 entrust that that's the date, if it was, and that's the date I
9 did it.

10 Q I mean, I'm looking at it right here, Thursday, May 7th,
11 2015.

12 A Yes, sir.

13 Q Do you want to see it?

14 A No. I mean, I -- I remember I told you I always do an
15 in-depth look at all the situation regarding the accounts. I
16 do the best job I can. In your deposition.

17 Q Okay. Does Nationstar have a committee to approve policy
18 and procedure changes?

19 A Can you be more specific?

20 Q Yeah. Is there a risk mitigation committee at
21 Nationstar?

22 A Yes, there is a risk --

23 Q Are you on that committee?

24 A No. I'm part of -- well, I'll wait for your questions
25 because it's more complicated than how you're asking it.

1 Q All right. Well, is there a procedure at Nationstar to
2 approve procedures, or do you just get to make them up on an
3 ad hoc basis?

4 A Yes, there's a thorough procedure before a procedure goes
5 published.

6 Q Okay. These things you say you're going to change here,
7 those haven't been submitted to the committee for their
8 approval, have they?

9 A Which ones?

10 Q The things you were talking about just recently coming up
11 with the idea that needed to be changed.

12 A The only idea that I have not been able to finally
13 implement was the removing of all the default codes so that
14 every employee can read all comments.

15 I implemented immediately in the electronic versions of
16 approving transactions that affect accounts have to be done by
17 a management level or officer level. That was already done
18 before this case, but it would have certainly helped our case
19 if it would have been implemented before this -- before March
20 of 2013.

21 Q So these procedures that have to be approved by the
22 committee, have they been -- that you've talked throughout
23 this week about, have those all been approved?

24 A Which --

25 Q Whichever ones.

1 A The only procedure that I said has not been finalized was
2 the procedure to remove the default codes.

3 THE COURT: So let me stop this. So the rest have
4 been approved by the committee?

5 THE WITNESS: Yes.

6 THE COURT: Okay. Move on.

7 Q (By Mr. Humphreys) Okay. And so have training protocols
8 been developed for those procedures?

9 A There's training being done, yes.

10 Q Okay.

11 A You have a difference between policies and procedures.
12 That's a procedure.

13 Q Yeah. Is there -- do you do training on your new
14 procedures?

15 A I do training on procedures. Policies have to be
16 approved by legal.

17 Q All right. And would you be kind enough to share with
18 this Jury right now these procedures you say are in writing
19 that everyone is being trained on? Do you have them with you,
20 because I haven't seen them?

21 A No. I said -- excuse me. The procedures on how everyone
22 is trained on knowing how to read the accounts?

23 Q Whatever procedures you say you've changed. You said all
24 but one of them have been -- have been adopted by the
25 committee, and I'd like to see them. Do you have them?

1 A I apologize. Policies are approved by the committee.
2 Those have legal ramifications. Procedures are your
3 day-to-day operations. We put together a job aid that was
4 sent to everyone so they could -- they were able to read
5 bankruptcy notes, customer service notes, and research notes.
6 Everyone had a reminder communication --

7 Q Okay.

8 A -- to everyone.

9 Q Let's call them job aids. That's fine.

10 A That's what they are.

11 Q May I see them? Do you have them with you?

12 A I don't have them with me, no.

13 Q Okay. So we're going to have to rely upon your good word
14 or I should say the good word of Nationstar that these
15 procedures have actually been changed; is that right?

16 A I think I have good word.

17 Q Okay. And the -- is there some reason you wouldn't bring
18 them with you so that we could look at them? Because that's a
19 big -- that's really the central reason why you don't think
20 that Nationstar should be punished, because you fixed it all,
21 right, and you said you're sorry?

22 A No, I didn't say that.

23 Q Okay. Do you think this Jury ought to award punitive
24 damages to teach Nationstar a lesson to get their business
25 straight?

1 A I'm just going to rely on the Jury's objective review of
2 everything that was talked about and make a decision. I can
3 only do -- what I can do is make things better at Nationstar.

4 Q Okay. Well, do you think a punitive damage award here
5 would be helpful to you so you can go back there and get the
6 resources you need to make sure that this situation doesn't
7 happen again?

8 A I think we have the resources.

9 Q I mean, you have a billion dollars, right?

10 A We have the resources to always be better. It's going to
11 be up to the Jury. I'm -- alls I can do from my perspective
12 is make Nationstar a better servicer tomorrow than what it was
13 today.

14 Q Okay. And this lawsuit -- do you think it's -- has that
15 assisted you in that?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Okay. And just for the record here, you wanted to
18 make -- this apology you made to Ms. May, you wanted to do
19 that in front of the Jury, right?

20 A No. I actually wanted to do it when I first met you
21 folks.

22 Q But you wanted to do it again in front of the Jury,
23 right?

24 A I'd prefer to do it every time I saw her --

25 Q Okay.

1 A -- because I feel bad about the situation.

2 Q That was your thinking why you wanted to apologize in
3 front of these folks?

4 A I tried to apologize when it was just us and her.

5 MR. HUMPHREYS: Okay.

6 THE COURT: Any redirect?

7 MR. TILLOTSON: Nothing, Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: You may step down. Thank you, Mr. Loll.

9 THE WITNESS: Thank you.

10 THE COURT: Next witness -- that was actually part of
11 the Defendant's case because we're kind of switching around.
12 We're going back to the Plaintiff's case.

13 Do you guys have any other additional witnesses?

14 "You guys" is a technical term. I think I'm on a street yard
15 in south St. Louis.

16 Why don't you tell us what this is?

17 MR. WALLACE: Okay. This is Equifax's corporate
18 representative, Mrs. Munson.

19 THE COURT: I'm sorry. What's her last name?

20 MR. WALLACE: Munson.

21 THE COURT: And how long is this videotape
22 deposition?

23 MR. WALLACE: One hour.

24 THE COURT: One hour. Thank you.

25 (Video deposition of Latonya Munson played.)

1 THE COURT: That's it. Okay. Thank you.

2 MR. WALLACE: Next witness is Dr. Maestas, and it is
3 one hour and two minutes.

4 THE COURT: Okay. We're going to try and get through
5 that before we break if that's okay, folks. Thank you.

6 I'm going to step out of the courtroom for a moment.
7 I'll be back. Keep it going. I'm just going to grab another
8 file from my office. I might smoke a cigar, have a drink. I
9 don't know.

10 (Video deposition of Daniel J. Maestas, M.D. played.)

11 THE COURT: Okay. Ladies and gentlemen, let me --
12 I'm going to let you get out of here as quick as possible, but
13 I have a few announcements for tomorrow.

14 There is a chance we can submit this case to you as a
15 Jury tomorrow. Everything has to go kind of right for that to
16 happen. So sometimes they do; sometimes they don't.

17 For starters, there's the remaining -- I'm going to
18 give you a sense for what's left. The remaining portion of
19 this doctor's deposition is about 15 minutes or so. The
20 cross-examination, you'll hear that tomorrow morning. It's an
21 extension of what you've seen.

22 There's another short, maybe 15-minute, I think,
23 deposition that's going to be played, some reading of some
24 excerpts from a deposition that's going to be played, and then
25 there's one more live witness that the Plaintiff will present,

1 and I think that will cover the evidence.

2 If all that goes, again, on time and right, we can --
3 the attorneys and I can put together the civil -- the
4 instructions that I need to read, the law that I need to put
5 together to read to you before you start deliberations. There
6 will be closing arguments and things like that before you get
7 back into the deliberation room.

8 So I tell you all this for -- the main reason is just
9 to kind of let you know what's going on. The second reason,
10 though, is up until this point, I have pretty much controlled
11 the clock. We started at 9:00. We're done at close to 5:00.

12 Once you start deliberating, I lose a little bit of
13 that control, and the Jury pretty much let's me know when
14 you've reached a verdict or whenever you want to take a break
15 and come back the next day or whatever you want to do. So
16 keep that in mind. That will be your call tomorrow.

17 I think that covers everything.

18 Again, you haven't heard all the evidence yet. You
19 certainly haven't heard the arguments of counsel, and you
20 haven't heard the instructions to let you know what the law is
21 in this case.

22 So the attorneys and I are going to meet tomorrow
23 morning about 8:00 to start working on the instructions so
24 that we can try to get them done for you tomorrow.

25 You are not to discuss the case. Don't form or

1 express any opinions about the case, and don't let anyone
2 discuss the case in your presence.

3 Any questions about any of this in terms of timing?

4 Okay. We'll see you tomorrow morning at the same
5 time. Quarter to 9:00 will be helpful. All right. Thank
6 you.

7 (Court adjourned at 5:16 p.m.)
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